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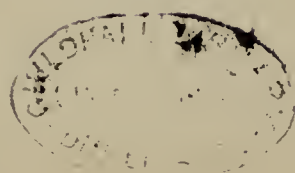
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\* \* Several of the Sermons, preached for the Society, have been printed, and may be had on application to the Secretary. Price to Non-Subscribers One Shilling each.

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• 1781.	Thomas Tower, of Weald Hall, Essex, in addition to 20 guineas per annum since the establishment of the Society in 1774.....	430	6	10
1783-4.	Chevalier Francois Saluces, Knight of Malta, Captain Anthony Isaacson, and Thomas Guillaume, Esq., Executors of the late Charles D'Oussey, Esq., appropriated part of the residue of the estate of that gentleman left at their disposal.. .....	525	0	0
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	Obadiah Agace, Esq. ....	50	0	0
1788.	William Gordon, Esq. ....	25	0	0
	Mr. Wrigglesworth .....	10	0	0
1789.	Mrs. Elizabeth Chivers .....	100	0	0
	Mrs. Ann Gordon .....	50	0	0
1794.	Abraham Gray, Esq., by Walker Gray, Esq....	200	0	0
1795.	B. Bond Hopkins, Esq, £500; but this legacy was not confirmed, in consequence of informality in the will			
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1801.	Mrs. Wright, of Dulwich.....	100	0	0
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1802.	Mrs. Goodall, Spital-square.....	100	0	0

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	Robert Vaughan, Esq.....	200	0	0
	Miss Catherine Ramsden.....	100	0	0
	Miss Mary Wools .....	50	0	0
	Peter Ducane, Esq.....	10	0	0
1805.				
March....	E. Payce .....	100	0	0
Nov.....	D. Draper .....	500	0	0
	Tomlinson .....	50	0	0
1806.				
Jan.....	R. Wilkinson .....	100	0	0
Feb.....	S. Hawkins .....	50	0	0
March....	M. Wilmot .....	£100, 3 per Cents.*		
Oct.....	J. Allen .....	5	5	0
1807.				
Feb.....	J. Preston.....	1250	2	6
June.....	R. Corrie .....	200	0	0
1808.				
April.....	Gustavus Adolphus Kempenfelt, Esq., late of Hurley, Berks .....	1000	0	0
May.....	Mrs. Deborah Kellor, late of Diss, Norfolk, £100, 4 per Cents.			
Nov.....	Mr. Joseph Edw. White, Reeves' pl., Hoxton...£8 per Ann.			
1809.				
March....	Richard Gough, Esq., late of Enfield (payable after the decease of Mrs. Gough).....	1000	0	0
1810.				
June.....	Robert Precious, Esq. ....	100	0	0
	Andrew Newton, Esq., late of Lichfield .....	100	0	0
	Portion of Residue of Mr. Newton's Estate.....	100	0	0
1811.				
March....	Mr. Guest .....	£25, 4 per Cents.		
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1812.				
July.....	John Tyrwhit, Esq., late of Northerelay House, Hills Bishop .....	£50, 3 per Cents.		
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1813.				
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1814.				
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	Joseph Jennings, Esq., late of Queen-street, Cheapside .....	5	0	0
	Dr. Anthony Fothergill, late of Philadelphia...	500	0	0
1815.				
April.....	Richard Toye, Esq., late of Brighton.....	100	0	0
	Daniel Thompson, Esq., late of Great Ormond- street .....	£400,	3 per Cents.	
1816.				
April.....	John Harford, Esq., late of Paradise-row, Stoke Newington .....	30	0	0
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1817.				
May.....	Wm. Taylor, Esq., late of Boston-lane, Brent- ford-Butts, Middlesex .....	£100,	5 per Cents.	
June .....	Charles Digby, Esq., late of London-fields, Hackney, Middlesex.....	100	0	0
June .....	Miss Hannah Vertue, late of Sutton-pl., Homer- ton, Middlesex.....	£100,	3 per Cents.	
July.....	Thomas Dent, Esq., late of Bush-lane, Cannon- street.....	100	0	0
Aug.....	John Harman, Esq., late of Higham-hill, Walt- hamstow, Essex.....	200	0	0
Dec.....	John Trelawny, Esq., late of Tottenham..	£1000,	3 per Cents.	
1818.				
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Proved.	£	s.	d.
1818.			
March .... Thomas Cogan, M.D., late of Walthamstow...	200	0	0
Aug. .... Peter Ferry Michel, Esq., late of Steward-street, Spitalfields .....	100	0	0
Nov. .... Col. John Drouly, late of Cowes, Isle of Wight	500	0	0
1820. C. Brunton, Esq. ....	£50, 3	per	Cents.
H. B. Comber, Esq. ....	1	1	0
1821.			
April. .... Peter Guillebard, Esq., late of Spital-square...	100	0	0
May .... Charles Pieschell, Esq., late of New Norfolk- street. ....	200	0	0
Oct. .... Thomas Eastup, Esq., late of Bruce-grove, Tot- tenham .....	21	0	0
1822.			
Jan. .... Benjamin Hawes, Esq., late of Worthing, £1000, 3½ per Cents.			
1824.			
22d Nov.. John Conrad Meyer. ....	133	5	4
1825.			
14th Feb. John Blackburn .....	100	0	0
Sept. .... Mrs. Elizabeth Parker .....	50	0	0
1826.			
April. .... Right Rev. Shute Barrington, Lord Bishop of Durham .....	500	0	0
March ... Thomas Dickason. ....	100	0	0
1827.			
April. .... Mrs. Mary Horsman... £100, 3 per Cents. Reduced Bank Ann.			
Aug. .... John Vaillant .....	10	10	0
1829.			
8th Sept.. Edmund Goodwyn .....	100	0	0
May .... Thomas Platt .....	200	0	0
1830.			
Jan. .... Margareta Brown. ....	100	0	0
1831.			
Jan. .... John Shewell .....	10	0	0
May .... Sarah Duppa. ....	600	0	0
1832.			
Oct. .... John Wade .....	500	0	0
1833.			
Oct. .... Joseph Gawen .....	100	0	0

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1833.			
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1834.			
Dec.....Rev. John Stephens.....	200	0	0
1836.			
July.....George Wilkinson .....	100	0	0
1837.			
May.....Honor Brown .....	500	0	0
1838.			
March....Elizabeth Cass .....	2000	0	0
June.....George Henicky, otherwise Heneky.....	300	0	0
July.....Sarah Wakefield (received in part £300).....	500	0	0
1839.			
June .....Ann Brown .....	200	0	0
Aug.....William Wright .....	50	0	0
1840.			
July.....Penelope Lambert.....	600	0	0
Dec.....John Gardiner .....	100	0	0
1842.			
Feb.....Francis Wood .....	52	10	0
June.....Hyman Hymans .....	5	0	0
July.....Robert Quarme.....	100	0	0
1843.			
Nov.....Emma Gibson.....£250 Stock, 3 per Cent. Reduced Annuities			
1844.			
March....William Drew .....	100	0	0
1846.			
Feb.....Charles Seymour .....	5	0	0
R. I. Grantham .....	200	0	0
1847.			
March....William Tidd .....	100	0	0

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## FORM RECOMMENDED FOR A LEGACY.

I, *A. B.*, do hereby give and bequeath the sum of  
 unto the *Treasurer* for the time being, of a Society,  
 established in London under the name of the ROYAL HUMANE  
 SOCIETY. The same to be paid within                      Months after my  
 Decease, in Trust, to be applied to the Uses and Purposes of that  
 Society.

\*.\* Gifts, by will, of land, or of money or stock to be laid out in  
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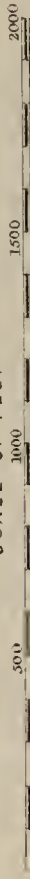


# PLAN OF THE SERPENTINE RIVER, IN HYDE PARK.

*Baywater*



SCALE OF FEET



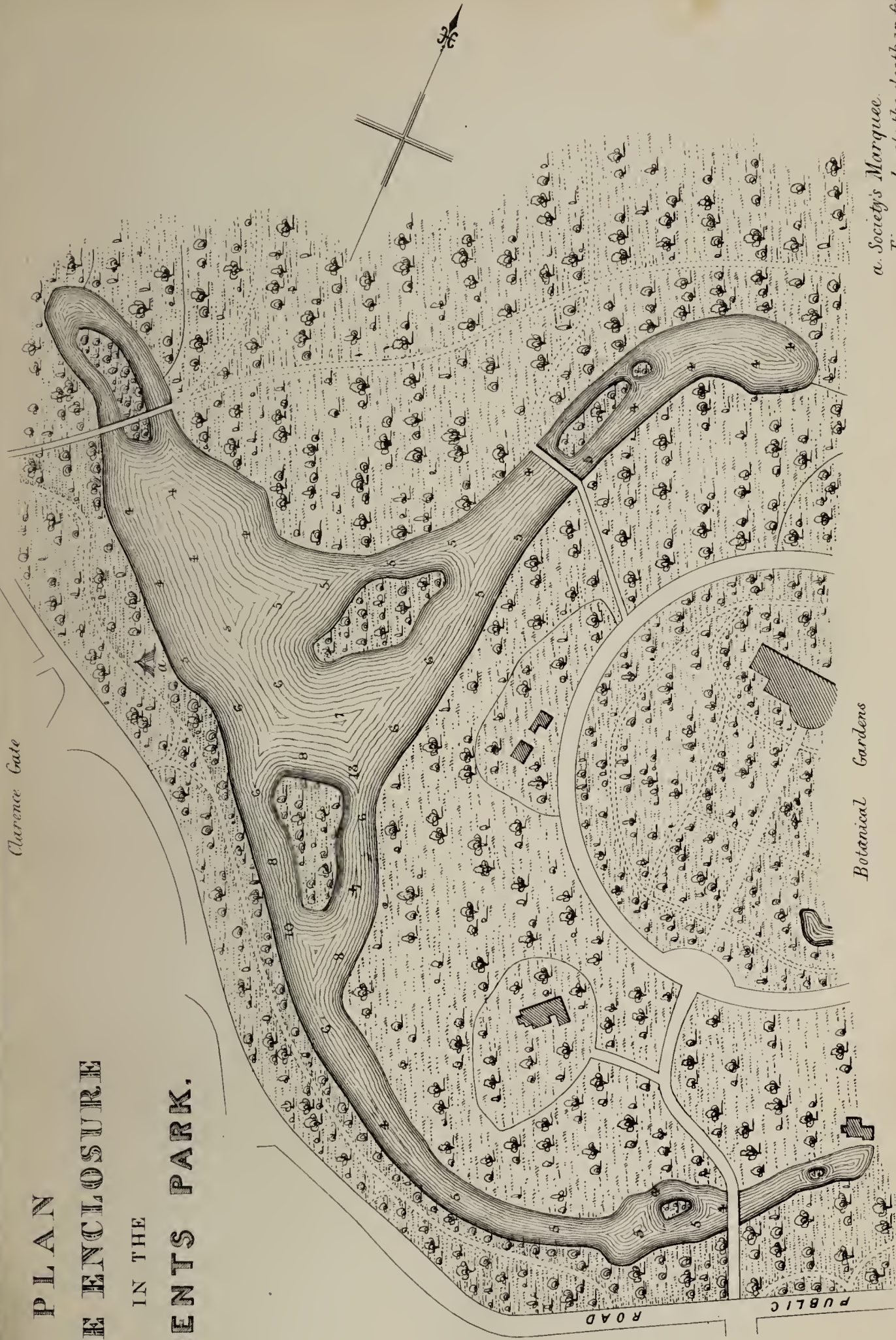
*a. Society's Receiving House*  
*b. Boat*  
*Figures denote the depth in feet.*





# PLAN OF THE ENCLOSURE IN THE RECENTS PARK.

Clarence Gate



Marylebone Church

Botanical Gardens

SCALE OF FEET.

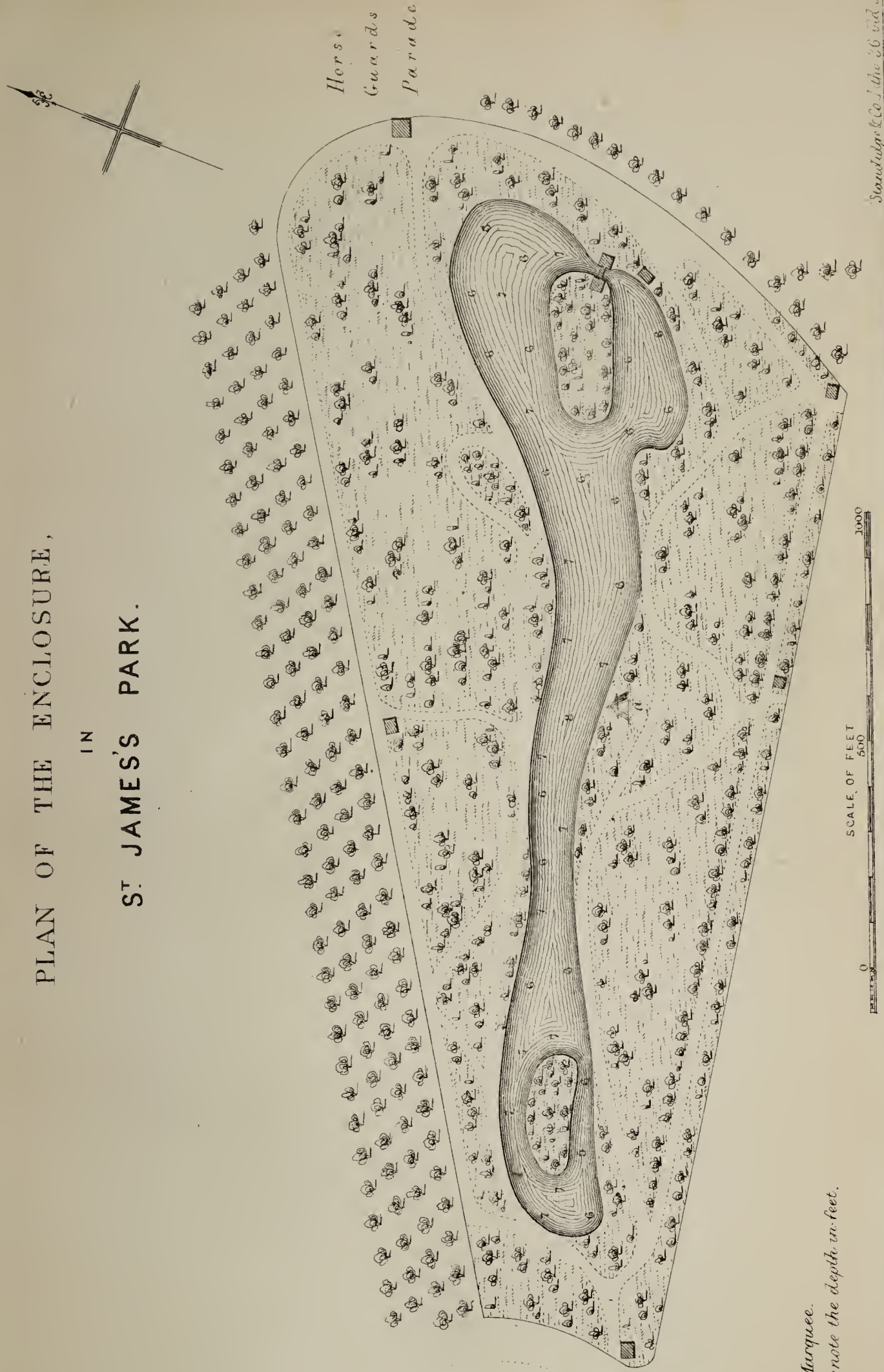


*a. Society's Marquee.*  
*Figures denote the depth in feet.*





# PLAN OF THE ENCLOSURE, IN ST. JAMES'S PARK.



*w. Society's Marquee.  
Figures denote the depth in feet.*



# ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

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## SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1849.

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THE Committee, in discharge of the duties confided to them, submit to the President, Vice-Presidents, Friends, and supporters of the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, the Seventy-fifth Annual Report of its Operations and Proceedings during the Year 1848, together with a financial Statement to the 31st of December last; which, they trust, will prove as acceptable to the Society at large as it has afforded to them a source of grateful thanks to that Providence who has hitherto, by His unseen hand, guided their labours for so long a period.

During the past year, the Committee had submitted to them 132 Cases, comprising 155 persons, out of whom 144 were successfully treated and recovered\*, and eleven were beyond recovery. One Honorary GOLD Medallion, and Sixteen Honorary SILVER Medallions, were voted for cases of rescue attended by extraordinary courage and risk of life; and Twenty-two Honorary BRONZE Medals have been awarded. The Thanks of the Society were presented to Nine individuals, and One Hundred and Twenty-five other claimants received pecuniary Rewards.

\* The Committee are indebted to JAMES CLIFT, Esq., for a statement by which it appears that the number of Still-born Children at the City of London Lying-in Hospital, which were restored to life during last year, amounted to sixteen; thereby shewing the necessity of early attention and proper treatment to what are *called* "Still-born Children."



The total number of persons who bathed in the Serpentine River throughout the year 1848 were estimated at 91,720, according to the daily returns made by the Superintendent, which number is nearly 100,000 below the usual average. Twenty persons were rescued from drowning by the Society's boatmen, who had either got beyond their depth or were seized with cramp while swimming; which number were taken to the Society's warm baths and beds, and received medical treatment at the Receiving-House. Fourteen other individuals were likewise prevented or rescued from committing suicide by the watchfulness of the boatmen during the daytime\*.

The Committee have also to state, that 34 persons have been saved by the Society's Icemen this winter up to the time of going to press, the successful exertions of the Society being thus noticed by *The Times*:—

THE WEATHER AND THE PARKS—EXTRAORDINARY NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS.

The Parks were yesterday visited by many thousand persons, and the frozen water was at one time literally crowded with skaters and sliders, many of whom, as will be seen from the sub-

\* The receipt of the following letter has afforded much pleasure to the Committee, as shewing the deep interest felt in the operations of the Society by persons capable of forming a just estimate of the value of its services:—

21, Brompton Row,  
May 23d, 1848.

My dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the value of your inestimable Institution, having received information of one of your boatmen's services being engaged in aiding Mr. Davis, a member of our club, in rescuing Mr. Steele, 203, Oxford-street, another member, on the morning of Thursday or Friday last. But for Godfrey, your man, I believe Mr. Davis himself was greatly jeopardized by the struggling and drowning person; and I feel I am only conveying to you the grateful expression of the club individually in their most sincerely, and with heartfelt satisfaction, testifying my gratitude in this instance of the value of THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

I am, my dear Sir,

Very faithfully, &c.

(Signed) THOS. EMBLING,

Hon. Sec. to the Serpentine

J. Charlier, Esq., Secretary.

Bathing Club.



joined official reports, paid very dearly for their imprudent conduct.

*St. James's Park.*—The ice on the ornamental water in the enclosure averaged from an inch and a half to two inches in thickness. The snow which fell during Saturday had the effect of making it extremely rotten and unsafe. The Royal Humane Society, in order to prevent persons from venturing upon the ice, had boards marked “Dangerous” placed round the water, and the icemen cautioned the people that it was hardly strong enough for a single man to pass over. Notwithstanding this caution, from 1400 to 1500 rashly went on to the frozen water, who for some time were amusing themselves by skating and sliding; but about half-past 11 o'clock, a man named Thomas M'Manus, of 3, St. Luke's-place, Bunhill-row, fell through the ice into seven feet of water. One of the icemen went to his assistance with a breaker-ladder, but the machine broke, and the man, with the iceman, nearly perished. They were, however, rescued by another iceman, and, having been taken to the marquee in the Park, they were placed in a hot bath, and, under the system pursued by the Society, recovered. About the same time David Hudson, aged fourteen, of 17, Vine-street, Millbank, and James Marshall, of 36, in the same street, fell into a hole in the ice, and were for some time clinging to each other, until the iceman put off and rescued them; they were also similarly treated. At twenty minutes past 12, Edward Lewis, of 11, St. Ann's-street, Westminster, broke through the ice into deep water. The breaker-ladder was instantly taken to the spot by iceman Cox, but the man on getting there also fell through the ice, and it was a long time before they could be got out. They were taken to the tent, where Mr. M'Cann, surgeon, of Parliament-street, and his assistant, Mr. Hurd, were in attendance. They immediately had the patients stripped, placed in hot baths, and by unremitting attendance they recovered. At the same time Thomas Leary, of 13, Duke-street, Piccadilly, fell through the ice, and was saved by the Humane Society's men. The next case, which was for some time considered a fatal one, happened at half-past 2 o'clock, when Joseph Conway, of 8, Angel-court, Haymarket, broke through a part of the ice surrounded with water. Deputy Superintendent Godfrey, with icemen

Hiles and Pavey, went to his assistance; but upwards of ten minutes elapsed ere they could reach the man, and when they got him into the ice machine he appeared dead. In getting him to the tent, Pavey, the iceman, also fell beneath the ice, and some minutes elapsed before he could be rescued. When that was accomplished they were both taken to the tent, and Mr. M'Cann, on feeling Conway's pulse, found that life was fast ebbing. He was instantly placed in hot water, and, by continued friction over the body and the aid of stimulants, at length recovered. About 3 o'clock the scene which occurred can scarcely be described. The work was too much for the icemen, and Mr. M'Cann, Mr. Hurd, and Mr. Superintendent Williams, were obliged to work like labourers in saving the lives of the skaters. John Shaw, of 7, Rochester-row, Pimlico, aged twenty years, having broken through the ice, was got out at great risk to the icemen; when Mr. James Clarke, of 6, Gillingham-street, Vauxhall-bridge-road, fell through into seven feet of water. He immediately sank as low as his chin, but by "treading water" succeeded in keeping himself from going under the ice. A man named Perry, on seeing his dangerous condition, endeavoured to reach him with a hand-line, but the ice broke, and he became also immersed. In getting him out the poor fellow dislocated his shoulder. He was instantly taken to the tent, and placed, first in a warm bath, and afterwards in bed. Owing to the rotten state of the ice, the breaker-ladders, as fast as they were placed on it, fell through, and Mr. Clarke's head could just be seen above the surface. The crowd on the bank, expecting that every second would be his last, cried out "Save, oh! save him." Iceman Martin, after many fruitless attempts to reach the man, at length got to within five yards of him, when the ladder overturned, and Martin's right arm became entangled in one of the lines. By a desperate effort, he succeeded in liberating his arm, and, whilst up to his neck in water, managed to push his breaker-ladder to Mr. Clarke, and then laid hold of his coat collar and pulled him into his machine: the clapping of hands, and cries of "Bravo" from the spectators on shore on seeing which, were quite deafening. The sledge having been launched, both parties were taken upon it and removed to the tent. Clarke, who had been in the water twenty



minutes, was in a very exhausted condition; but, owing to the exertions of Mr. M'Cann and the Superintendent, he recovered during the afternoon, and expressed his obligations to the Society's men.

*The Regent's Park.*—The ice on the ornamental waters in this Park did not exceed three inches in thickness, notwithstanding which about 12,000 persons ventured on during the day. About 4 o'clock the skaters were greatly alarmed by an immense portion of the ice giving way, when from sixteen to twenty persons were precipitated into the water. The cries of those in the water, and of those on shore, for assistance, were pitiable in the extreme. The whole of the icemen, with Deputy Superintendent Chitty, put off with breaker-ladders, sledges, and drags; but the moment they came near the place the ice broke, and the whole of the men, with the exception of Chitty, were in the water. He having got a chopper, cut away the ice and succeeded in getting the sledge to the spot, and took several on board; whilst iceman Smith, got three persons out by means of a hand-line (the invention of Capt. Manby), all of whom were removed to the tent, where every attention was paid to them by Mr. Norton, one of the Society's Medical Assistants, and they all recovered. Amongst the persons rescued were George Dozell, of 86, Park-street, Oxford-street; Thomas Higham, George Whitburn, of 11, Bridport-street, Bryanstone-square; Robert Prest, of 36, Moor-street, Edgeware-road; Mr. Beck and a lady, of 38, Bedford-place, Russell-square. From the fact of so many persons being in the water at one time, it is extremely doubtful whether some have not perished\*. This supposition is strengthened by the fact of a boy's cap being found in the water, and a lad of fourteen years of age having been enquired after.

\* In reference to this subject the Secretary addressed the following note to the Editor, and which appeared in the next day's publication:—

“Sir,—In your article of to-day recording the many accidents which occurred by the breaking of the ice yesterday, it is stated that ‘from the fact of so many persons being in the water at one time, it is extremely doubtful whether some have not perished. This supposition is strengthened by the fact of a boy's cap being found in the water.’ Now, I am happy to in-

*The Serpentine.*—The number of skaters on the ice over the Serpentine river was, during the day, about 2000, and the following persons were immersed by the breaking of the ice about 4 o'clock :—George Andrews, of 15, George-street, Pimlico ; Edward Horner, of 15, Brewer-street, Goswell-road ; Edward Thomas, of 21, Moscow-road, Bayswater ; John Spencer, of 14, Farm-street, Berkley-square ; Miss Orford, of 21, Moscow-road. Three were saved by iceman Maskell, with a line. They were all taken to the receiving-house, and received the best attention from Mr. Woolley, Medical Assistant to the Institution, and the Superintendent.

*The Round Pond.*—About 1000 skaters and sliders during the day. The ice being good, no accidents occurred.

*The Long Water.*—From 500 to 600 persons ventured on the frozen waters here during the day without meeting with any accident of importance. *The Times*, Jan. 8, 1849.

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The Committee have gratefully to acknowledge the continued assistance which the British and Foreign Bible Society give to them, by renewing their gift of the sacred Scriptures for distribution to those persons whose lives have been saved from drowning.

The Committee, likewise, have gratefully to record the benefit which the Institution derived from the impressive Anniversary Sermon preached by

THE LORD BISHOP OF CHICHESTER

during the past year ; and to thank the Rev. Allen Cooper, M.A.,

form you that I was on the spot in the Regent's-park at the time the several persons were immersed, and saw them all rescued, though with great difficulty, as two of our icemen also broke in.

“ When I afterwards went to the marquee, I found one of the boys in bed, who told me that he had lost his cap in the water, and which is the one now to be seen floating.

“ You will oblige me by inserting this statement, in order to allay the anxiety of the public.

“ I remain, Sir, your's, most obediently,

“ J. CHARLIER, Secretary.

“ Royal Humane Society Office,  
3, Trafalgar-square, Jan. 8, 1849.”



who generously lent his pulpit at St. Mark's, Park-street, Grosvenor-square, on that occasion.

Also to reiterate its grateful acknowledgments to the Earl of Carlisle, V.P., Chief Commissioner of Her Majesty's Woods, &c., and to the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, for the kindly aid and assistance which have been at various times afforded by those respective departments in carrying out arrangements of this Society in the Royal Parks, both during the bathing and skating seasons, for the public safety and convenience.

TO BENJAMIN BOND CABELL, Esq., M.P., a Vice-President, the Committee are much indebted for his lively interest in all the transactions of this Society, as well as the able support which he is pleased to give them by frequently taking the Chair at the General Courts of the Institution.

Anxious at all times to fulfil the objects of the Society, the Committee are happy if they can but add, in the smallest degree, to the knowledge previously promulgated for the prevention of accidents, or to the means necessary to avert fatal consequences when they do occur; and with this view they have been induced to advert to some recent inventions, notices of which will be found in the Appendix at pp. 31-36.

In the Obituary of last year the Committee have to notice, with deep regret, the demise of two of the Vice-Presidents, viz. HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY, H.M., and BENJAMIN BARNARD, Esq., who became a liberal and active supporter of the Society, in succession to his father, who had been one of its earliest friends; and whose grandson is now a member of the Committee: the loss of such old and valued friends and of several Annual Subscribers will, it is hoped, stimulate others, to whom Providence grants a longer existence, to exert themselves to supply their places by becoming Subscribers. These vacancies have been filled up by the venerable successor of the former Primate, and by Benjamin Hawes, jun., Esq., M.P., and Under Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Legacy received in 1848, viz.*

Annual balance of Mark CORK's Gift\*, £8..4s..8d.

The Committee have further to report, that the Society's drags, so frequently useful when accidents occur, have been applied for and are deposited during the past year at the under-mentioned new stations, viz. :—

TEDDINGTON, the FERRY HOUSE.

GRAVESEND, the TERRACE PIER,

GREENWICH, the WATERMAN'S FLOATING PIER.

TOWER OF LONDON, at the GUARD HOUSES.

Thereby making in the aggregate 210 Stations where the Society's Drags are kept ready for use in case of accident.

The Superintendent of the Society has during the past year been engaged in taking soundings of the various depths of water in the Serpentine River and ornamental waters in St. James's and the Regent's Parks, plans of which have been lithographed, and are appended to this Report, for the better security of bathers and skaters.

The Committee, therefore, trust that the usefulness of the Society's establishments in Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, the Regent's and St. James's Parks, together with the precautions adopted and efficient apparatus now made use of in winter and summer, is thus most satisfactorily proved; and moreover by its HAVING WITHDRAWN FROM PLACES OF GREATER DANGER, where no protection whatever is afforded, so large a portion of the public, who may, under the watchful care of and by attending to the instructions and cautions of the Institution, enjoy either bathing or skating with a comparative degree of safety. But it must not be forgotten, that while thousands of persons are enjoying this exhilarating exercise, heedless of danger and unprepared for

\* Mr. Mark Cork, of St. Saviour's Southwark, invested £1798 in the 3 per Cent. Consols, to clothe three poor aged men and women yearly. Also five shillings to each of them. Three pounds to the Officers, and the remainder (if any) to THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY. The Treasurer has generally received from £3 to £5 annually.



eternity, the winged arrow of death may be pointed with a sun-beam, or the treacherous ice, yielding to accumulated pressure and the silent and unperceived influence of an ever-varying temperature, may in a moment engulf some of the thoughtless crowd beneath its crusted waters: at this moment of extreme peril the Society, with watchful and parental solicitude, flies to the succour of her hapless sons, snatches them from premature death, and saves their relatives and friends the pain of a sudden and afflictive bereavement. Who that has seen the agonized look of the father, or heard the piercing shriek of the mother, rendered childless by one of those casualties which this Society seeks to avert, and has not wished to have been in some degree instrumental in the prevention of such a catastrophe. And here the Subscribers have the happy privilege of reflecting that, by the aid they give to this Institution, they identify themselves with one of the noblest works entrusted to man,—*the preservation of human life*, and are thus performing a duty at once acceptable to God and man.

The Committee considers it a duty gratefully to record its thanks for the continued distinguished annual support and patronage of Her Most Gracious Majesty to THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

To His Grace, the President of the Institution, the Committee beg to present their respectful and very sincere thanks for the able manner in which his Grace condescended to preside at the last Anniversary Festival; and to those Noblemen and Gentlemen who also honoured the Meeting with their presence; and to the generous Benefactors whose names appeared in the published list of Donations and Annual Subscriptions on that occasion, the Committee here beg to return their warmest and most grateful thanks.

To the Society's Medical Assistants, and all those Medical Gentlemen whose important and valuable services have been promptly and gratuitously rendered on numerous occasions, the Committee have the highest gratification in renewing the expression of their warmest thanks and gratitude.

At the last meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, the prize founded by the late Mr. Samuel Jackson (and which was adverted to in the Report for 1846, at p. 11) was awarded to Mr. Edward Hulme, of Exeter, Devon, for his Dissertation on Asphyxia, its various Causes, Forms, and Treatment.

A Manuscript entitled by Dr. Hulme a Demonstration of the Pathology and Treatment of Asphyxia from Submersion, has been most generously forwarded by him to the Committee of the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, and will form a valuable addition to the many scientific works already collected on the subject of the restoration of suspended animation.

At a recent meeting of the Committee, with reference to this subject, it was Resolved "That the members of the Medical Committee be requested to draw up a circular letter to be addressed by the Secretary to the Society's Medical Assistants on the subject of recommending inflation through the *nostrils* only, in cases where artificial respiration may be considered necessary."

Sir Benjamin Brodie, Bart., F.R.S., in his "Lectures" (p. 78) speaking of inflating the lungs in cases of Asphyxia, says—"It is not only not necessary to introduce a tube into the trachea, but it is a great deal better not to do so. A tube introduced into one nostril will answer every purpose, and this method possesses one very great advantage, that it is attended with no delay."

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It has been said, and with great truth, that the objects of THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY are so extensively general, that they comprehend the whole race of mankind in their influence. Its principles apply to the physical exigencies of all who are called into the active scenes of life by either business, pleasure or curiosity: they are not confined to any district or to any class of persons, but extend to every rank and degree of society, whether the individual be in an elevated or an humble station of life. The principle upon which it is supported operates unseen and almost unthought of by the community at large; for, notwithstanding the universality of its objects, its more immediate recognition



is generally accidental and local. Many an individual has, for the first time, been awakened to a sense of the value and importance of this Institution by witnessing an accident from submersion, and the now widely diffused means of restoring animation. Many are the friends which such accidents have attached through life to the Society; and many, as this Report will record, have, after their death, testified, by Legacies, the estimation in which they held it while living. Unlike other institutions, it has no elections, few occasions of individual competition, few of those exciting contests which might be otherwise conducive to its interests in bringing it more frequently under public notice. It is true that the Anniversary Festival gains for it a fair and honourable publicity; but during the rest of the year it is, comparatively speaking, silently engaged in the fulfilment of its own praiseworthy and benevolent objects, which the Committee have been most anxious to render co-equal with the various and frequent casualties which perpetually menace the premature extinction of life, and in which, from the foregoing statement, it may be seen how far they have been successful.

The Committee once more renew their invitation to the Governors and their Friends to visit the Receiving House in Hyde Park, which is open at all hours of the day to those who may be disposed to inspect it. The ground was given by his Majesty George the Third, in consequence of the number of suicides and accidents which occurred in that fine sheet of water.

The Committee beg to add, that, although it is a matter of regret that the operations of the Society cannot be further extended from the want of funds, still they feel grateful to the Governors and Patrons for having enabled them to accomplish the good they have now to report. They must again remark, that it is not a charity, in the ordinary sense of the word, but that its services are extended to all ranks and conditions of men, as the cases recorded will, on perusal, best testify; and that, while a seaman, soldier, or civilian, has been preserved to his wife and unprotected family, the wealthiest fathers in the land may have been also spared the misery of mourning a son untimely lost; for

affluence affords no protection, and the friendly grasp which saves the drowning, dying man, *may be equally needed by us all.*

A pleasing recollection of the many instances in which, under Divine Providence, this Society has been the humble means of arresting the contemplated suicide, of restoring the unhappy individuals to society, and, it is hoped, in many instances awakening in them a due sense of the enormity of the sin from which they have been happily saved\*, has in frequent instances called forth from the Committee the expression of their grateful and devout thanks to Him who alone can aid their efforts, and to whom be all the praise.

“ If death was nothing, and nought after death ;  
If when men died at once they ceas’d to be,  
Returning to the barren womb of nothing,  
Whence first they sprang ;

Then might the wretch  
That’s weary of the world, and tir’d of life,  
At once give each inquietude the slip,  
By stealing out of being when he pleas’d,  
And by what way.

But if there’s an hereafter—  
And that there is, conscience, uninfluenc’d,  
And suffered to speak out, tells every man—  
Then must it be an awful thing to die,  
More horrid yet to die by one’s own hand.”

The Committee would again reiterate the assurance they have so often given and will strictly adhere to, that the funds entrusted to their care shall be faithfully employed in carrying out this laudable work,—viz. “ *To collect and circulate the most approved methods for recovering persons apparently drowned or dead,—to suggest and provide suitable apparatus for, and bestow REWARDS on, those who assist in the preservation and restoration of life ;*” in which they trust they will be met with that liberal benevolence which for seventy-five years they have had pride in adverting to under the name of VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS, and which distinguishes and adorns the great institu-

\* This object is much promoted by the liberal donations of the British and Foreign Bible Society, enabling the Society to present the Holy Scriptures to such persons, the perusal of which is calculated to lead their minds to reflection and repentance.



tions of this empire so pre-eminently above those of all other nations.

A period of seventy-five years has elapsed since the institution of this Society. The number of lives saved and restored in this country alone within that space, and mostly in or near the metropolis, has been upwards of 25,000; which may convince the most prejudiced observer, not only of the success, but of the uncommon earnestness and unwearied activity wherewith the Managers have prosecuted the truly philanthropic views of its Founders. In the immense, the unbounded field of doing good, opened by the resuscitative art, they have incessantly and indefatigably toiled. The great advantages that have thence resulted to their fellow-citizens, to the community, to their country, and to mankind, are evidenced in almost every page of the following transactions.

In conclusion, your Committee would call upon every Subscriber for continued and increased exertions in favour of the Institution; not only by their own contributions, but by endeavouring to add to the number of subscribers by pointing out to their friends the universal applicability of the benefits conferred by THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, and soliciting their aid in its behalf, thus constituting themselves in some measure the guardians of human life, and to whom the Committee would once more say,

“ ’Tis yours, ere ever lost, to Death consign’d,  
 Ere the last glimm’ring lamp of Life expires,  
 Haply to form and guide th’ inquiring mind,  
 To trace and to restore its fading fires.  
 Pleas’d with the prospect of your future fame,  
 The Muse around this honour’d fane shall spread  
 These laurels to your never-dying name,  
 THE THANKS OF THOUSANDS RESCU’D FROM THE DEAD.”

The Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure of the Society will be found in the following page.

By Order,

J. CHARLIER, *Secretary.*

Society’s Office, 3, Trafalgar-square,  
 24th January, 1849.

# ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OF THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

From 31st December 1847, to 31st December 1848.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
1848.	£ s. d.	1848.	£ s. d.
Jan. 1. Balance in hand.....	27 0 2	Dec. 31. Rewards, Salaries and Wages, Drags,	
Dec. 31. Subscriptions, Donations, Sermons,		Printing, Advertisements, Apparatus,	
Dividends, &c. ....	1795 10 5	Honorary Medals, &c.....	1620 14 4
Legacies .....	8 4 8	Hyde Park Receiving House, Kensington	
		Gardens, Marquees in the Regent's Park	
		and St. James's Park, &c. ....	201 19 8
		Balance at Messrs Barnard & Co. £7 14 3	
		Ditto of Petty Cash .....	0 7 0
			8 1 3
			<u>£1830 15 3</u>

1849.

Jan. 1. To Balance in hand ..... 8 1 3

Audited 5th January, 1849.

(Signed)

JOHN EVANS,  
CHARLES BROWN,  
AUDITORS.

## APPENDIX.

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The Committee of the Royal Humane Society, having no prejudices to sway them, no sinister views to foster or encourage, but anxious only for the more perfect attainment of the objects for which their Institution was founded, are happy to assist in any degree the efforts of such other societies or individuals as may unite with them in so noble a work as the preservation or restoration of human life; and with this feeling they will always have much pleasure in promulgating a knowledge of any inventions or appliances having that end in view, several of which they will now bring under the notice of their subscribers.

### THE CATAMARAN.

Portsmouth.

A very novel, and, to all appearance, a very efficacious contrivance, for the preservation of life from shipwreck or other casualties and disasters at sea, was exhibited here recently by Mr. Alfred Hely, the patentee of the invention, which is called a “catamaran.” This invention consists of cylinders, or bags, of a flexible waterproof material, filled with any article or substance of a less specific gravity than water, as hammocks, clothes, provisions, valuables, stores, and such like, which, being lashed to spars, capstan-bars, &c., are or can be speedily combined into a raft or float, drawing only a few inches water when launched, not liable, in consequence of its flexible nature and open structure, to be swamped, capsized, or stove in; and capable of carrying one man with 30 days’ provisions per cylinder, or, in round numbers, 250lbs. dead weight, at the rate of 64lbs. per cubic foot of water displaced. This catamaran, which may be constructed in ten minutes by thirty hands taught the mode of putting it together, was about 30 feet long by 8 feet wide; she carried a large lug-sail, and was steered by an oar over the stern; independently of which she carried two lee boards, about six feet long by three feet wide, thrust between the cylinders, one forward and the other



aft, which answered the purpose of a sliding keel, and kept her to windward. The apparatus was launched this morning at Gosport, at 8 o'clock A.M., and was mounted by the inventor and patentee, a coxswain, and four men, and worked out to Spithead, where she was anchored at 10 o'clock, the wind southerly, and awaited the approach of His Royal Highness Prince Albert, who had previously appointed that hour and place to inspect the invention. At 11 o'clock the Fairy Royal yacht, Commander Crispin, arrived and bore up for the spot; the anchor was hove up, and the catamaran was pulled alongside the Fairy, which stopped to receive her. The Prince came forward to inspect the apparatus, and had the invention explained in detail by the inventor, when the Prince requested him to get up sail, as he would then have an opportunity of seeing the catamaran again on his return from Portsmouth. The yacht then proceeded, and the catamaran went on to Osborne, having previously borne up to Ryde to land the visitors who accompanied her in a pilot-boat to witness the experiment.

On arriving at Osborne the Prince again re-appeared in the Fairy, and landed on the pier under Osborne, and the catamaran tacked, and, in order to save the tide as the wind still continued foul, was towed to the mouth of this harbour by her tender, after which she proceeded to Gosport-beach, and was taken to pieces, having been afloat about nine hours. She behaved at sea remarkably well during her passage out and home, and in every way sustained the character of seaworthiness and efficiency which she exhibited on her voyage from Dover to Boulogne and back in June last.

*Extract from "The Times."*

*Note.*—A Model of this Catamaran has been presented to the Society by the Inventor, and can be seen at the Receiving House.

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#### AYCKBOURN'S FLOAT, PATENT INVISIBLE LIFE PRESERVER AND SWIMMING BELT.

This novel and ingenious contrivance consists of a large peculiarly shaped air-bag, the joints of which are cemented in a novel way, so as to add greatly to its strength and prevent the possibility of the seams opening. Its shape in front when in use

is somewhat like a soldier's breast-plate, narrowing under the arms so as to be the least possible hindrance to swimming, and terminating in two narrow ends behind, the whole being secured by shoulder-straps and waistband, so that no kind of accident can displace it when once on. Being capable of holding about three times as much air as is ordinarily required, it not only cannot burst, but the air is so distributed that the wearer appears to have nothing on beyond his ordinary dress. Its supporting power upholds the *chest, not the back*, of the wearer, as has been too frequently and erroneously supposed to require support, by which means he may do almost any required act : indeed, several persons have during the past summer actually lighted a fire and cooked and eaten a dinner, supported solely by a float for several hours, in the presence of many thousand people, each of the exhibitors having a kind of floating sideboard moored out in deep water, on which the necessary utensils were placed. This belt, which is as serviceable to a non-swimmer as to a swimmer, is constructed of a material so light that it may be put into the pocket like a handkerchief, even immediately after use, as the surface of the cloth, being repellent of water, is dry on being shaken. It weighs only six ounces, is unencumbered by mechanism, and made of the first fabric ever known to withstand uninjured the parching sun of India. It can either be worn separately or attached inside any coat, jacket, or cloak, for either sex, and without either buckle, screw, or spring ; it is instantly available by an excellent contrivance of a slide over an elastic tube of vulcanized india rubber, by which means the air-pipe can never become twisted. Its price, which varies from eight to twelve shillings, at once places it within the reach of every class of society, and may be seen at the inventor's depôt, in Exeter Change.

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#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

“Pisco, May 8, 1848.

“Sir,—In consequence of many accidents happening here by boats being upset by the surf, I have this day erected a signal staff, 50 feet high, on the beach, on which there will be hoisted



one ball when boats may land, and two black balls when boats cannot safely land. I have got permission from the authorities to set up this signal staff, and have left it in charge of two of the most respectable gentlemen here : this being done, I beg you will make it known, as many lives may be saved by it.

“JOHN MACANDY, Master of the ship  
Agamemnon of Glasgow.”

“To the Secretary of the Royal Humane Society.”

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Royal Humane Society, 3, Trafalgar-square, July 21, 1848.

Dear Sir,—Having received, per post, a letter, of which the enclosed is a copy, from the master of the ship Agamemnon, of Glasgow, in which he reports having set up a signal staff at Pisco, for the purpose of shewing when boats may or may not land in safety, I beg to forward the same for the information of the committee of Lloyd's.

I remain, dear Sir,  
J. CHARLIER, Secretary.

To Captain G. A. Halstead, R.N. Secretary, Lloyd's, who caused the foregoing Notice to be advertised in all the daily papers.

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#### CAPTAIN SMITH'S PADDLE-BOX BOATS.

It has not been so generally known as it should be, that Captain Smith's paddle-box boats were very efficacious in saving life at the late awful loss of the Ocean Monarch. A letter which is before us from the Brazilian Consul-General at Liverpool (Mr. John Pasco Grenfell) states, that the Brazilian steam frigate Affonso is fitted with them, and that the late sad affair has tested their value. He says,—“A few hands threw our larboard boat over in a few seconds (we did not wait to lower it), it floated like a cork, and then, by means of a hawser we had fast to the wreck, it was placed close to the bow of the Ocean Monarch, and was quite sufficient to receive all the people the other boats could not

hold ; this, as well as the want of seamen, was the reason the other paddle-box boat was not used. After we reached the burning ship there was no want of boats ; the difficulty was getting the poor people into them—mostly helpless women and children, without one of the crew of the ill-fated vessel on board to lend them a helping hand, by which means many of the former perished ; for after the brave fellow Jerome got on board not one was lost.”

*Extract from “ The Times.”*

*Note.*—See p. 27 of last year’s Report for a description of these Boats.

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#### A PARACHUTE FOR COAL PITS.

To descend into mines and coal-pits, and to ascend by means of vertical ladders, are operations so fatiguing that the pitmen prefer, in spite of the regulations which forbid it, to expose their lives to the risk of the strength of a rope, which, unfortunately, often breaks and precipitates them to the bottom. We attended, last Wednesday, an experiment on a large scale, which demonstrated, in the most efficient manner, that henceforth this danger no longer exists for pitmen. By means of an extremely simple apparatus, the cuffat remains suspended in the middle of the shaft when the rope breaks. This trial was not made by means of a working model, but in a pit of some depth ; the apparatus was worked by men who remained suspended in the well when the rope broke short off. For the future the parachute for coal-pits is no longer a theory ; its efficacy is now established by practical facts. The effect of this apparatus was shewn before a numerous company, comprised of men of information, the greater part familiar with the working of mines. Their satisfaction was so great that they spontaneously offered to the inventor to make affidavit on the spot of the facts to which they had been witnesses. Amongst the party was a gentleman who wished the experiment to be tried upon himself : the rope having snapped, he and the workman accompanying him were spontaneously

stayed without feeling the slightest shock. We shall not fail to acquaint our readers of the new applications which will not fail to be made of this invention, doubly interesting, whether looked upon in a humane point of view or as a matter of economy in the working of mines.

*Brussels Herald.*

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#### CARTE'S SEA SERVICE ROCKET APPARATUS,

For effecting a communication with the Shore from a Stranded Vessel, or with a Vessel in distress at Sea, when a Boat cannot be launched without endangering the Lives of the Crew.

An illustrated description of this was given in the last Report (*vide p. 29*), and the following is an account of an interesting display which took place on the Serpentine River on the 29th of August, 1848:—

By permission of Lord Morpeth, a public trial of a Rocket Apparatus, invented by Mr. Carte, Ordnance Storekeeper at Hull, for projecting a rope from a stranded vessel to the shore, or from one ship to another in distress, took place this day at 5 o'clock, P.M., on the Serpentine River. Two small boats were moored about 20 yards apart, and at a distance of about 130 yards from a third boat, in which the apparatus was set up. The inventor, accompanied by Mr. Williams, Superintendent of the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, proceeded to place a three pound rocket in the discharging frame, to the stick of which was attached a stout rope, 200 yards long, which was discharged from the frame by a small lock and percussion tube. The first rocket, from want of sufficient elevation or defect in making, fell within a few yards of the left-hand boat, and short of it. A second was in a few minutes placed in the frame, and attached to another rope, and a greater elevation being given, the rope was instantly carried across the centre of the two boats, and about sixty yards beyond them. This rocket appeared to give very great satisfac-



tion, and to afford a convincing proof of the utility of the apparatus for the purposes intended, especially that of effecting a communication with a vessel in distress at sea, without endangering the lives of the men by launching a boat. Mr. Carte was congratulated on his success by Lord C. Paget, R.N., R. W. Grey, Esq., M.P., Private Secretary to Lord John Russell, James Heywood, Esq. M.P., Capt. Washington, R.N., Col. Colquhoun, R.A., Col. Alderson, R.E., Benjamin Hawes, Esq., E. R. Adams, Esq., B. Oliveira, Esq., Mr. Charlier, of the Royal Humane Society, and other gentlemen who were present. Some gentlemen and friends of Mr. Carte having arrived too late, there is every probability of the experiment being repeated this year, together with the mode of bringing persons from a wreck by Mr. Carte's Life Buoys and Belts, which are now in general use in almost all the vessels in the United Kingdom.

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By the union of humanity, benevolence, and science—in forming, as it were, a nucleus around which might be gathered the isolated but valuable knowledge of talented and scientific individuals—the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY has succeeded in collecting much important information that might otherwise have been scattered and lost.

At the Society's Office, and at the Receiving House in Hyde Park, will be found several scientific works on "Asphyxia," as also a collection of models of many useful inventions for the preservation of life, which have been presented to the Society: these are open to perusal and inspection, in the hope that the humane zeal of practical or scientific men may be stimulated to make other valuable additions thereto. It is a pleasing reflection, that, after the lapse of seventy-five years, during which the Society has been the careful nurse and guardian of whatever was committed to its care, it still maintains a high rank among the benevolent institutions for which our country is so pre-eminent—is daily extending its sphere of usefulness, holding a place in the sympathies of all classes of the community—and is acknowledged and honoured not only throughout the length and breadth

of our own land, but also in the most distant parts of the habitable globe, “even from the rising of the sun to the going down thereof.”

The Committee are happy to state that they continue to receive the Annual Reports from the following Branch Societies, and which appear to be progressing in favor and usefulness; viz. Brighton (vide p. 114); Boulogne\*; Plymouth; Dover; Liverpool; Bath; and Portsmouth.

\* Extract from a letter from the Honorary Secretary to the Boulogne Humane Society, dated 7 October, 1848:—

“After having laboured for several years to establish a better system of surveillance than formerly existed during the bathing season, I have had this year the satisfaction of seeing 32 persons rescued from drowning by our men since the month of May, while there has not been a fatal accident, except in the case of a soldier, a man of very full habit, and who persisted in bathing every morning after breakfast, and was, at length, attacked with apoplexy.”

RISE AND PROGRESS  
OF  
THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY,  
Instituted 1774.

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THE ART OF RESUSCITATING THE APPARENTLY DEAD does not appear to have been known to the ancients.

Some instances of recovery from Drowning and Hanging, mentioned in the notes to Derham's "Physico-Theology," are the first on record. These cases happened at Tronningholm, and at Oxford, about the year 1650; and the means used for the recovery of the persons in question were similar to those recommended by THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY. It does not seem, however, that these instances excited any public interest, or that any serious investigation of the subject of SUSPENDED ANIMATION took place till about the middle of the last century. At this period the penetrating genius of DR. J. FOTHERGILL, which had already, in other branches of his profession, developed new and important modes of treating diseases, led him to perceive "the fallacy and dubiousness of the received criteria of dissolution;" and in a paper which he addressed to the *Royal Society*, he maintained, as the result of his inquiries, "*the possibility of saving many lives without risking any thing.*" To us it must appear extraordinary that this publication excited little interest and attention among the medical philosophers of his time. He had, however, propounded a most important theory, although the glory of putting it to the test of experiment was reserved for a later period. This was first attempted by Mr. Reaumer, an ingenious foreigner: that gentleman having succeeded in several attempts at resuscitation in Switzerland in the year 1767, transmitted reports of his cases to the Academy of Sciences at Paris. Soon after this period, in the same year, a Society for the Recovery of the Apparently Drowned was instituted at Amsterdam, and, as if by a simultaneous movement, several similar associations were formed in different parts of Europe. The Memoirs of the Dutch Society were translated into English in 1773 by DR. COGAN, for the purpose of convincing the people of this country of the practicability of resuscitating the apparently Drowned. His work fell into the hands of the late DR. HAWES, M.D., to whose



ardent and indefatigable mind it opened a career of public usefulness, which he pursued until his death. Finding that a strong and general prejudice existed against the *practicability* of Resuscitation, and that the idea was even ridiculed as hopeless and chimerical, he determined to *demonstrate* it. With this view he publicly offered rewards to persons who, between London and Westminster Bridges, should, within a certain period from the occurrence of an accident, rescue the bodies of drowned persons, and bring them to places appointed on shore for their reception, in order that the means of resuscitation might be tried. At these places he and his friends restored several lives. During a whole year DR. HAWES continued to pay these rewards himself. At the end of this period DR. COGAN represented to him the injury his private fortune must sustain by such continued expenses, and kindly offered to unite with him for the formation of the HUMANE SOCIETY, which at first consisted of thirty-two individuals, their respective private friends\*. Until the end of DR. HAWES's life the Institution continued to exercise his unremitting attention and vigilant care. To the persevering exertions of this gentleman, and especially to his disinterested early efforts, the English nation is indebted for the formation of a Society which, whether we reflect on its purposes or success, does honour to our country, and exhibits most impressively the power of a single mind to accomplish objects of the most benign character and extensive utility.

\* The names of these thirty-two Gentlemen, who, with Dr. Hawes and Dr. Cogan, laid the foundation of the Society, deserve to be recorded. The following is a list of them :—

Mr. Arniger  
 Rev. Mr. Bouillier  
 Fred. Bull, Esq., Ald.  
 Dr. William Cooper  
 Mr. Delver  
 Mr. Denham  
 Mr. William Fox  
 Dr. Oliver Goldsmith  
 Rev. Richard Harrison  
 Mr. Benjamin Hawes  
 Dr. Heberden  
 James Horsfall, Esq., F.R.S.  
 Mr. John Jacob  
 Mr. Joseph Jacob  
 Rev. Dr. Jeffries  
 Dr. Kooystra

J. C. Lettsom, M.D., F.R.S.  
 Robert Palmer, Esq.  
 Mr. Patten  
 Mr. Michael Pearson  
 Mr. Phipps  
 Samuel Prime, Esq.  
 Mr. John Bewlay Rich  
 Rev. M. Snowden  
 Thomas Tower, Esq.  
 Rev. Dr. Towers  
 W. Towgood, Esq.  
 Mr. William Townsend  
 Rev. Mr. Van Essen  
 Mr. Warrant  
 Dr. Watkinson  
 Mr. Wright.

## MEDALLION CASES FOR 1848.

### HONORARY GOLD MEDALLION.

#### CASE, 14,663.

THE following is a narrative of an escape from peril, and the rescue of five lives by individual gallantry, rarely equalled, and never exceeded, in the records of high and noble daring. It is from the pen of Capt. Bryan Milman, of the 5th Fusiliers, in a letter addressed to his father, Major Gen. Milman, late of the Coldstream Guards :—

“ Mahebourg, Island of Mauritius, June 30, 1848.

“THE following account of an almost miraculous escape that I and five other officers have had from drowning will interest you all, I have no doubt. The names of the others are Colquitt, Bellew, Fitzgerald, Home (all of the 5th Fusiliers) and Palmer, a commissariat officer, in whose boat we were at the time of the accident. Colquitt and Fitzgerald are in the first battalion, and had come down here to stay with me and Bellew. On the 25th we made a boating party, for them to visit one of our detachments about fifteen miles from hence, at Grand River, south east. We left this about eleven A.M. and after reaching our destination all safe, left it about three o'clock P.M., for home, the weather then looking any thing but promising. When about four miles from home and from the shore, we were overset by a squall. It came upon us so suddenly that we had no time to do any thing; torrents of rain fell at the same time, and there we were, drifting along on the side of the boat (which luckily did not sink) without a chance of assistance, and the night setting in. This happened about half-past 5 o'clock, and at this season it is dark at 6. We drifted in this way for about two hours, and at last grounded in about seven feet water. It was very nearly dark; and all that we could see were the tops of the mountains in the horizon. We supposed we were about two miles from shore. All of us but myself had stripped on being upset, as I knew, if we came to



a swim, that I could take my clothes off in a moment. As it turned out, I think I was lucky in this, for they perhaps, though wet, kept me a little warmer than my companions. Nothing seemed to give us a chance of being saved, except holding on till daylight, and as it was terribly cold, this seemed next to impossible. At last it struck me I might be able to swim ashore to procure assistance, and I got permission from the others to do so. Our boatman, a Creole, who also said he would go, started with me to make the attempt. I left them with a hearty 'God bless you!' from all. After swimming some time, I lost sight of the boatman, and was left to myself. I swam back a little, shouting as loud as I could; but getting no answer, and feeling for my own sake that I must push on, I turned my head towards the mountain tops (my only guides), and struck out my best. I must have been swimming for more than an hour when I landed. I found myself a little tired, and very much benumbed, barefooted, *en chemise*, and not able to see ten yards before me, it was so dark. My first impulse was to fall on my knees and thank Providence; after which, curious to say, my military schooling came to my aid in the 'extension motions,' which brought some little feeling into my limbs, and enabled me to continue my work. After feeling my way for about half an hour along the shore, shouting all the time, I came to a cottage, where I was hospitably received. They told me that they had heard my cries some time, but fancied I was some drunken man returning home, or else they would have come out to my assistance. The poor black gave me some dry clothes, and made me a cup of tea, and then conducted me to the proprietor of the estate, who lived close by, and had the nearest pirogue (a small boat like a canoe, dug out of a solid trunk of a large tree) in the neighbourhood. M. Chiron, the name of the proprietor, a man of colour, as soon as I explained my situation and my want of a boat to go and assist the others, immediately offered to go himself, and his son also insisted on going with him. I jumped at the offer, of course, and we immediately walked down to where his pirogue was moored, and started, myself at the bottom to serve as guide. By the blessing of Providence, after about an hour's search, we heard the cries from the wreck. I think I never felt so happy or



so light-hearted in my life as I did at this moment ; for there were so many chances against our finding it. We could not see many yards from our own boat. It was then about eleven o'clock, so that my companions had been exposed on the boat for upwards of five hours. Luckily, with great care, we got them safely into the pirogue, without capsizing her ; and by twelve o'clock we were safely housed under M. Chiron's hospitable roof, who fed, clothed, and lodged us for the night. In the morning, the unfortunate Creole boatman was found dead, from cold and cramp, about half a mile from the place he was supposed to have landed at. The kindness, hospitality, and truly courageous assistance afforded us by M. Chiron, at the risk of his own life and that of his son, are deserving of all praise. It was a service of danger to go out even at all in a pirogue on such a rough night ; much more to go and seek for five drowning men three miles at sea. He wished his son not to go ; but the latter would not allow his father to go without him. Constantly during our long search, when the son was getting tired of pulling the boat, the father would cry out and encourage him, saying 'Courage, mon fils.'

(Signed)

"BRYAN MILMAN,

"Capt. 5th Fusiliers."

## HONORARY SILVER MEDALLIONS.

### CASE 14,663.

To M. Chiron, and his son, who so nobly risked their lives in the case above detailed, the General Court felt bound to award the Honorary Silver Medallion to each, in testimony of their unqualified admiration of such noble courage and humanity.

### CASE 14,671.

"On Thursday, the 21st of September, an accident, that might have been attended with serious consequences, took place at the Thames Tunnel Pier, and was only prevented by the intrepid and praiseworthy conduct of Samuel Sims, the Captain of

the Waterman Steamboat, No. 12. The boat left Westminster Bridge at thirty minutes past ten o'clock, and on stopping to embark and land passengers at the above pier, Mr. Noble and lady, with a child, came just as the word was given to let go; and they had just reached the boat in safety, when Mr. Noble discovered that it was going to Woolwich instead of London. He made an attempt to leave the steamer again, when the boat was moving, and, with the child, was precipitated into the water. The Captain seeing the accident, jumped from the paddle-box, plunged into the tide, and happily rescued them from a watery grave. The Captain, after landing his charge at the Pier, mounted the paddle-box with his clothes dripping wet, and was hailed with three hearty cheers by the passengers, who, one and all, bore testimony to his good conduct, and congratulated him on his success.

(Signed) "R. COUSTEEN,  
"And other Passengers."

#### CASE 14,677.

"ON the 12th September 1848, at four o'clock P.M., a boy having fallen a great depth from the Quay into the water near the Triumphal Arch at Waterloo Quay, Aberdeen, Lieut. the Hon. William Barnard De Blaquiere, of H.M.S. 'Ganges,' and then of H.M.S. 'Virago' (forming one of the squadron lying in the Victoria Dock, Aberdeen Harbour), being near the spot at the time of the accident, immediately jumped into the water, above sixteen feet deep, at the imminent risk of his life, and by swimming brought the boy safely to the side of the dock. No person offered to assist him until they reached the landing place, although many were present.

(Signed) "W. HARRIS,  
"Commander, R.N."

"Aberdeen."

#### CASE 14,678.

"ON the 14th February 1848, John Robinson, Captain's Coxswain in H.M. sloop 'Skylark,' happily saved the life of a man, named James Balsdon, of the same ship. who had first cut his throat and afterwards jumped overboard while the ship was

under sail with a moderate breeze, and would inevitably have lost his life had not Robinson leaped into the sea and supported him (being perfectly helpless, and apparently lifeless) for full fifteen minutes, until a boat was lowered, which picked them both up.

(Signed) "W. B. MONYPENNY,  
"Commander, R.N."

"Africa."

#### CASE 14,679.

"President, at sea, Lat. 19° 31' S. Long. 49° 8' E.

"ON the 2d of August 1848, Josh. Field, Captain of the After-guard of H.M.S. 'President,' jumped overboard while at sea, at the imminent risk of his own life, to save that of Thomas Sunderland, a shipmate, who had accidentally fallen overboard while a heavy sea was running, and supported him till they were both picked up. In the year 1842 he likewise saved two lives in a similar manner.

(Signed) "JAMES A. DAW,  
"Commander, R.N."

#### CASE 14,684.

"During the Regatta at Halton Waters, in the town of Lancaster, on the 12th September 1848, John Helme, one of the crew of a racing boat, was thrown from his seat by his oar striking a buoy. Mr. Thos. Austin, who was in another boat, racing alongside at a distance of about twenty yards, immediately stopped, and gallantly plunged into the tide, which was running very strong at the time, and seized Helme, who was no swimmer, and apparently on the point of being drowned, and utterly helpless, his hands alone being visible at the moment, and most of the time he was under water. He then supported him until assistance was afforded by a boat, in which Helme was placed, being quite exhausted. Mr. Austin reached the shore with great difficulty, having been seized with cramp. The above case makes a total of five persons rescued from drowning by Mr. T. Austin.

(Signed) "E SHARPE,  
"Mayor of Lancaster."



## CASE 14,463.

“ON the 4th of February, 1847, whilst H.M.S. ‘Endymion’ was at anchor off Sacrificios Island, near Vera Cruz, Mr. West (2d mate) slipped his footing from the gangway, and fell into the sea, striking his head against the ship’s side. On the cry of ‘A man overboard,’ Lieutenant W. R. Smith and others rushed on deck; but, owing to the excessive darkness of the night and a current running past the ship at the time, no object could at first be seen floating: at length some white substance was perceived at a distance, when Lieut. Smith immediately plunged into the water, and, on reaching the object seen, found it to be Mr. West, quite motionless. Lieut. Smith instantly raised his head, and kept him floating until, by his repeated calls, a boat reached them. On approaching the ship, it appeared that, in the crowd to see them brought alongside, another man fell overboard from the main chains, and, not knowing whether he could swim, Lieut. Smith instantly jumped overboard to his assistance, but found on reaching him that he was able to save himself.

(Signed) “J. CHEGWYN,  
“Master H.M.S. Endymion.”

“*Vera Cruz.*”

*Note.*—This is the second instance of Lieutenant Smith’s noble courage and humanity: the former one is recorded in the Society’s Report for 1839, at pp. 15-18.

## CASE 14,583.

“92, *Farringdon Street*,  
“16 *May*, 1848.

“Dear Sir,

“IN compliance with the request of the Committee, I herewith transmit to you the particulars of the case of G. Thornton, aged 36, who attempted suicide on the 14th of March last. It appears that he jumped from the centre arch of Blackfriars’ Bridge into the Thames, whence he was rescued by a waterman, and taken to one of the Royal Humane Society’s receiving-houses. I had been sent for, but, being from home, my assistant immediately attended. He had stripped Thornton, and just

placed him in a warm bath when I arrived. There was no pulsation at the wrist, nor any other sign of animation, and insensibility was complete; but after some time a slight action of the heart could be distinguished. By friction, incessantly and vigorously applied over the body and limbs whilst in the bath, occasionally by dashing cold water in his face, keeping the mouth and nostrils well cleared, and inflating the lungs by alternately elevating and depressing the ribs, we had, after persevering upwards of an hour, the gratification of seeing animation become gradually restored. I gave him some weak brandy and water when he was able to swallow, and afterwards some coffee; he was then placed in a warm bed before the fire, and remained there until eleven o'clock the next day. I have a galvanic apparatus always ready for use in these cases; but, as the means usually recommended by the Society gave promise of success, I did not have recourse to it in this instance. I was informed by some persons that he was not in the water more than five minutes. I believe that asphyxia would be more readily induced after a fall from such a height as about seventy feet than in ordinary cases of drowning, on account of the air being more completely expelled from the lungs by compression of the chest on the body reaching the surface of the water, and the stunning effects produced on the nervous system.

“ I remain, dear Sir,

“ Your's very faithfully,

(Signed)

“ FRAS. HUTCHINSON,

“ Med. Assist. to R. H. S.”

“ *To the Sec. of the Royal Humane Society.*”

#### CASE 14,592.

“ ON the 4th of April, 1848, a boy, named E. Blundell, having fallen into the branch of the River Medway, and floated some distance with the stream, Mr. A. F. Lusignan, of Tonbridge, first divested himself of his coat and hat, plunged into the water, having previously taken a leap, which he was obliged to do owing to the bank at that part being overrun by brushwood and weeds, and happily succeeded in his humane purpose, the water being upwards of twelve feet deep. This is the fourth instance in which



Mr. Lusignan has been the providential means of saving life in a similar manner, he having already received the honorary Bronze Medallion of this Society, in 1841, for one of the cases."

*Certified by several Eye-witnesses.*

#### CASE 14,624.

"ON the 24th of June, 1848, as Mrs. Fleming and Miss Julia Hesketh were walking along the beach at the back of the Isle of Wight, near Black Gang Chine, when it was blowing hard and the sea running very high, a violent squall gave so sudden an impetus to the rising tide, that they were both overtaken by the waves, which, in their reflux, dragged into their vortex Mrs. Fleming, who was at once floating in deep water, and at least twenty yards from land. The first impulse of her companion was to rush in to her rescue; but she was checked by self-possession, which made her conscious that to obey the impulse was certain death to both: she, therefore, with heroic calmness, awaited patiently the returning wave, during which interval twice she saw her friend sink beneath the surface. As she rose the second time, she watched her borne on the crest of a tremendous sea. Seizing the intervening time between the bursting of the surge and its fearful recoil, she plunged into the sea, got hold of her exhausted and nearly insensible friend, and dragged her up the shelving bank, when they were both again submerged. Another desperate effort on the part of Miss Hesketh placed her out of the immediate reach of the waves; but she had, by clinging to bunches of grass and rushes, the dangerous task of climbing with her burden up a steep bank of slippery green sand, the appearance of which almost belies the possibility of such an ascent, before they were in perfect safety. Only those who know the treacherous nature of the sea on that coast can appreciate the mercy vouchsafed to her who was thus saved, and the courage and presence of mind displayed on that occasion, and which, under Providence, were the instruments of her rescue.

(Signed)

"WILLIAM VICARY,

"Lieut. R.N."



## CASE 14,629.

“ As Mr. William Lucey was passing along Rotherhithe Wall, on the 27th of June, 1848, he heard the coal-whippers at the Pier call out that a man had fallen overboard. He then ran to the spot, and saw, as he supposed, a man in the last stage of exhaustion and sinking, having been immersed some time. Mr. Lucey jumped from the wharf with his clothes on into the water, swam out into the tide, and seized the sinking individual, who by that time was under water, and, grasping him by the collar of his coat, swam with him to a mooring-chain, when person came to his assistance, on which Mr. Lucey let go the chain and swam ashore. This makes the fourth person saved by Mr. Lucey, who had been formerly rewarded by the Royal Humane Society.

(Signed)

“ CHAS. HAY, and other Witnesses.”

“ *Rotherhithe.*”

## CASE 14,634.

*H.M. Sloop ‘Acorn,’ Chatham, 27th Aug. 1848.*

“ Sir,

“ I HAVE the honor to request that you will be pleased to lay before the Committee the following statement; viz. Charles L. Brown, Captain’s Steward of H. M. Sloop ‘Acorn,’ in a fit of delirium, on the 3d of January, 1848, in Madras Roads, jumped overboard, with the intention of destroying himself. The vessel was rolling heavily at the time, with a strong breeze, lee current, and numerous sharks abounding round the ship; when J. Heslop and J. Granger, captains of the fore and main tops, immediately jumped into the sea after him, and with considerable risk and difficulty saved the unfortunate man.

“ I have the honor to be, &c.

(Signed)

“ J. E. BINGHAM,

“ Commander.”

“ *To the Sec. of the Royal Humane Society.*”

## RELATING TO CASES 14,656 AND 14,658.

*“Parliament Street,  
5th Sept. 1848.*

“My dear Sir,

“HAVING this day signed two reports of my treatment respecting Jas. Murray, who was very nearly drowned at Westminster Bridge on the 2d of Sept., about five o'clock, P.M., it is not necessary for me to add more than is explained in the report of the claimants for the gratuity, but that I have used the best means in my power to carry out the views of the Royal Humane Society in this as upon many occasions. The man Murray is still under my care, having received a wound in the temple from a blow of the paddle-wheel.

“I have the honor to be, &c.

(Signed)

“N. McCANN,

“Med. Assist. to the R.H.S.”

“J. Charlier, Esq.,  
Sec. to the Royal Humane Society.”

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*“Parliament Street,  
7th Sept. 1848.*

“My dear Sir,

“WHEN addressing you the day before yesterday, announcing the recovery of J. Murray, a Waiter at the United Service Club, I little thought that I should have the same pleasurable duty devolve upon me so soon in stating to you one more recovery, and certainly the most satisfactory of any that I have had to report since I became Medical Assistant to your Society. It is that of a young woman of respectable parents, residing in Lambeth. The case of drowning is so well known to you and your Board, that I do not think it necessary here to enter into detail ; but that she contemplated the double act of suicide first by taking laudanum, and then by throwing herself into the Thames at Westminster Bridge. Singular to say, the latter attempt was an antidote to the former. I also consider it a waste of time for me to enter into the mode of treatment, that being equally well

known to the medical members of the Board. However, I must beg to tell you, as I did in my last letter, that I used my best endeavours, which were very successful in this case. It is not a little gratifying to my feelings to have received by post the enclosed letter from a gentleman quite unknown to me.

“ Believe me, your’s, &c.

(Signed)

“ N. McCANN,

“ Med. Assist. R.H.S.”

“ *To the Sec. of the Royal Humane Society.*”

“ Sir,

“ HAVING witnessed the attempt of a poor woman to drown herself this morning, about half-past eight o’clock, at Westminster Bridge, and her apparent lifeless state upon being taken out of the water and removed to a public house, I remained in the room of the house to which the woman was taken until after your arrival; and I had much satisfaction in observing your immediate and prompt attention. All persons are interested in the preservation of life; and I felt grateful for the timely assistance rendered to this poor woman from the period of her immersion. I avail myself of the opportunity of thanking you for your indefatigable exertions, and which have resulted in restoring this poor creature to life.

“ I have the honor, &c.

(Signed)

“ S. JAMES,

“ 2, Old-square, Lincoln’s Inn,

6th Sept. 1848.”

“ *To N. McCann, Esq.*”

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# VOTES OF THANKS,

For 1848.

The following are the Cases for which the Thanks of the Society have been conferred ; viz.

At a Committee of THE ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, holden on Wednesday, the 19th of January, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

## CASE 14,564.

It was Resolved Unanimously,

“That the noble courage and humanity evinced by Doctor Benjamin Swift, Assistant Surgeon of the 63d regiment, who seized a rope and jumped overboard from the Lady Flora Transport, to the relief of an artilleryman who had giddily jumped from the mast into the sea while lying at St. Helena, on the 8th of July 1847, and whose life he saved, calls forth the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee, and which are hereby presented to him (inscribed on vellum).

(Signed)

“NORFOLK, President.

“BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman.”

“*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*”

At a Committee holden on the 16th of February, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

## CASE 14,568.

It was Resolved Unanimously,

“That the grateful and humane conduct displayed by James Tyler, Pierman at the Brunswick Wharf, Blackwall, in

having plunged into the River Thames to the relief of Mrs. Plank, who had fallen overboard from a Gravesend Steamer, on the 21st of December 1847, and whose life he saved (this being the fourth individual rescued by him since the Society's Medal was awarded him), calls forth the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee, and which are hereby presented to him (inscribed on vellum), in addition to the sum of £2.

(Signed) "NORFOLK, President.

"BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman."

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

At a Committee holden on the 16th of February, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

#### CASE 14,574.

It was Resolved Unanimously,

"That the noble courage and humanity displayed by Le Capitaine Stambard and his boat's crew, of the French Brig 'L'Auguste,' in going to the relief of four Deal Boatmen, who had been upset in a severe squall off Deal, on the 11th of February, 1848, and three of whom were thereby providentially saved, calls forth the grateful and very sincere thanks of this Committee, and which are hereby presented to that brave officer and his seamen (inscribed on vellum).

(Signed) "NORFOLK, President.

"BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman.'

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

At a Committee holden on the 17th of May, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

#### CASE 14,589.

It was Resolved Unanimously,

"That the noble and humane conduct displayed by Lieut. Thomas Brydges, R.N. of H.M.S. 'Undaunted,' in having on the night of 1st March 1848, ran upon deck and lowered himself in

a boat in order to go quicker than he could have swam (as was his first intention) to the relief of a seaman who had fallen overboard at Portsmouth Harbour, and whose life he thereby saved, calls forth the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee, and which are hereby awarded him (inscribed on vellum).

(Signed) "NORFOLK, President.

"BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman."

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

At a Committee holden on the 20th of September 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

#### CASE 14,653.

It was Resolved Unanimously,

"That the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee are hereby presented, to Robert L. Constable (of the Constabulary), for his gallant and humane conduct displayed on the 8th of August, 1848, in having plunged into the sea at Lahinch, County Clare, to the relief of Margaret King, whose life he, with the assistance of constable Thomas Alexander, thereby saved.

(Signed) "BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman."

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

A similar copy to the above was sent to Thomas Alexander.

At a Committee holden on the 15th of November, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

#### CASE 14, .

It was Resolved Unanimously,

"That the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee are justly due, and are hereby presented (inscribed on vellum) to Thomas Rolph, Esq., Surgeon, at Portsmouth, for his prompt, humane, and persevering exertions in endeavouring to resuscitate two females, and for the resuscitation of a third (named Margaret Moore), who had been upset in a boat going to Spithead, by a



squall, on the 9th of October, 1848. Likewise for his professional skill in recovering from an apparently lifeless state Mr. White, who had fallen into the Harbour on the 23d of the same month.

(Signed) "NORFOLK, President.

"BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman."

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

At a Committee holden on the 15th of November, 1848,

BENJAMIN HAWES, Esq., in the Chair.

#### CASE 14, .

It was Resolved Unanimously,

"That the grateful and sincere thanks of this Committee are hereby most cordially presented to Captain Graves, of the steamer 'Royal Victoria,' of Carlisle, for steaming his vessel many miles out of her course to the relief of the master and crew of the sloop 'Banff,' of Sunderland, wrecked on Robin Rigg Bank, in the Solway Firth, on the 26th of October, 1848. Likewise to the boat's crew of the 'Royal Victoria,' who, after great difficulty, owing to breakers and a strong current, rescued them from their perilous situation, in the most exhausted condition.

(Signed) "BENJAMIN HAWES, Chairman."

"*Joseph Charlier, Secretary.*"

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ACCIDENTS.		Names.	Time and Place.	Names and Exertions of Claimants.	Where removed.	Medical Man who attended.	Result.	Award and Remarks.
An Artilleryman	July 8, St. Helena,	Mr. J. Abrahams	Nov. 9, Waterford	Dr. B. Swift took a rope and jumped overboard into the sea, and saved him	On board his vessel	Dr. Swift	Successful	Thanks on <i>Vellum</i> .
				W. Dunfoy; dashed into the sea, and, after diving, succeeded in saving him	Not stated	Not stated	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
J. Goldsmith	Nov. 18, Sunderland	A Female	Dec. 3, Penrose Quay, Cork	Thos. Wynn; jumped overboard, swam to his relief, and saved him	On board his vessel	ditto	Successful	Ditto.
				J. Crane; plunged into the water with his clothes on, and saved her	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
Mrs. Plank	Dec. 21, Blackwall	J. Welsh	Jan. 10, Regent's Canal	J. Tyler (waterman); plunged into the river, and saved her	Home	ditto	Successful	Thanks on <i>Vellum</i> , and pecuniary reward
				S. Winyard, "Gun-makers' Arms;" afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. T. New, Mile End	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
W. Hinton	Jan. 31, Canal at Wern	M. Fleming	Jan. 29, River Thames	Mary Crawley; ran to the spot, and at great risk saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
				E. Hellott (waterman); went off in his boat and saved him	West Kent Wharf	ditto	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
C. F. Bertie	Jan. 29, ditto	A Female	Feb. 8, Regent's Canal	J. Bull and J. Teasdale; went in a boat and saved him	Glaziers' Arms	Mr Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
				W. Barron (York and Albany); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's house	Mr. W. Sheild, Camden-town	Successful	Ditto.
Three Boatmen	Feb. 11, Deal	Two Children	Feb. 25, River Welland	Le Capitaine Stambard, and crew of the French brig "L'Auguste;" went in a boat and rescued three out of four persons	On board his vessel	Ship's Surgeon	Successful	Thanks on <i>Vellum</i> to Captain and boat's crew.
				T. Royce; plunged into the river and saved both	Home	Not stated	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
E. Coleman	Feb. 28, Regent's Canal			B. Weller; swam to the opposite side of the canal and saved him	St. Pancras Infirmary	ditto	Successful	Ditto.

A Female	March 6, River Thames	J. Cheshire, (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr Hutchinson Farringdon-st ditto	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
Ditto	ditto	J. Ware (waterman); went in his boat and saved her	Glaziers' Arms		Successful	Ditto.
J. Parker and J. Burchill	ditto	J. Douglass; swam to their relief and rescued them	Not stated	Not stated	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	March 7, ditto	J. Cheshire (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's house	Mr Hutchinson	Successful	Ditto.
G. Thornton	March 14, ditto	W. Neary; went in a boat and saved him	Glaziers' Arms	Mr Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
E. Shayler	March 19, Regent's Canal	T. Fallen; plunged into the Canal and saved him	Old Ford Lock	Mr. M. M. Bull	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	March 24, River Thames	S. Turner; jumped into the water and saved her	Home	Cambr.-heath Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
Ditto	March 24, Regent's Canal	T. Rachham; plunged into the water and saved her	To the Work-house	Mr. J. Clarke	Successful	Ditto.
J. Nay	March 30, Paddington Canal	W. Bradford; swam to his assistance and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	April 4, Regent's Canal	J. Devereux; plunged into the Canal and saved her	Duke of Sussex, Public-house	Mr. M. Pickering	Successful	Ditto.
O'Brien (seaman)	March 1, Portsmouth Harbor	Lieut. T. Brydges, R.N., of H.M.S. "Undaunted;" went in a boat and at great risk saved him	On board of his ship	Dr Miller, M.D. "Illustrious"	Successful	Thanks on <i>Vellum</i> .
A Female	March 30, River Lea	C. Tranter (Britannia); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Buchanan, Ratcliff-cross	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
E. Blundell	April 4, River Medway	Mr. H. A. F. Lusignan; plunged into the river and saved him	Home	Mr. Parker, Tonbridge	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
A Female	April 18, Reading	J. Wyeth; swam to her relief and saved her	Police Station	Mr. Hooper, Reading	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
Mr. T. Steel	April 19, River Thames	R. Larkin (waterman); went in his boat (though with passengers) and saved him	King's College Hospital	Mr. G. Smith	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	April 28, ditto	H. Phelps (waterman); went in his boat and saved her	To a Surgeon's	Mr. Bryant's	Drowned	Ditto.
W. Freeman	May 7, ditto	F. Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Croft, Laurence Pountney-lane	Successful	Ditto.



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ACCIDENTS.						
Names.	Time and Place.	Names and Exertions of Claimants.	Where removed.	Medical Man who attended.	Result.	Award and Remarks.
H. O'Brien	<b>1848.</b> May 16, Riv. Thames	J. Baldwin; plunged into the river and saved him	Angel	Mr. Rose, Stamford-st.	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
A Female	April 22, a Drain at Thorpe	J. Hill; rushed into the drain, and with great difficulty saved her	Public House	None could be obtained	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
G. Salmon	May 2, River Thames	W. Clark; plunged into deep water and saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
W. Newman	May 2, Regent's Canal	J. Leadbetter (Blockmakers' Arms); afforded every means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Potter, City-road	Drowned	Ditto.
A Female	May 7, Serpentine River	J. Harwood; plunged into the water and with difficulty saved her	The Society's Receiving-house	Mr. Woolley	Successful	Ditto.
A. Whitmore	May 8, Paddington Canal	P. Higgins; jumped into the water and saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
J. Walker	May 10, River Thames	W. Pocknell (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	St. Thomas's Hospital	House Surgeon Mr. Gill	Successful	Ditto.
A Man (name unknown)	May 13, New River	S. Shannon (New Crown); afforded usual means to try and restore him	Claimant's		Drowned	Ditto.
C. Franks	May 13, Mill Pond	J. Hewetson; swam out, dived, and rescued him with much difficulty	Home	Mr. Martin, Bermondsey	Successful	Ditto.
T. Freeman	May 14, Abbott's Langley	N. Whittaker; by diving, and, assisted by others, saved him	ditto	Mr. Wootton, King's Langley	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	May 16, Paddington Canal	J. Smith; jumped into the water, and saved her	ditto	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
J. Parker	May 17, Regent's Canal	G. Lewis, assisted by Jennings; jumped into the Canal and saved him	St. Pancras Workhouse	House surgeon	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	May 17, Riv. Thames	W. Jackson and J. Bell; went in a boat, and with the drags saved her	Union	Mr. Lomas, Richmond	Successful	Ditto.
Nine Persons	May 23, Canal, Norwood	E. Anderton & M. Wilbee; swam to their relief, and with difficulty saved them	Home	None could be obtained	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION, & Pecuniary rewards.
A Female	May 26, Kensington Canal	W. Spicer; plunged into the Canal (though unable to swim), saved her	ditto	Nonerequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.

J. Tomling	May 28, Regent's Canal	W. Daines; jumped into the Canal and rescued him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
A Child	June 3, River Thames	D. Sweeney; jumped into the Thames and saved her	St. Thomas's Hospital	House Surgeon	Successful	Ditto.
F. Monk	June 5, Regent's Canal	E. Cook; jumped into the Canal and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
W. Richards	June 6, Surrey Canal	W. Buck; ran into the Canal and saved him	Surrey Canal Tavern	Mr. F. Gowen, Old Kent-rd.	Successful	Ditto.
W. Hutchins	June 11, Regent's Canal	F. Hurley; plunged into the Canal, dived, and saved him	Iron Arms	Mr. Giles, Cambridge Heath	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	June 15, River Thames	F. Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Croft, Laurence Pountney-lane	Successful	Ditto.
T. Davis	June 15, River Thames	T. Barry; plunged into the river and saved him	Police Station	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
T. Betney	June 15, Sneinton, Notts.	R. Cutts; descended a well by a rope (which was in a defective state), and saved him	Home	T. A. Burrows, Sneinton	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
A Female & Child	June 18, River Thames	W. Blake (waterman); went in his boat and saved them	To the Surgeon	M. C. Smith, Gracechurch-street	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
E. Griffith	June 19, River Tivi, Cardigan	W. Charles; jumped into the river and saved him	To a Public House	Mr. Bevan, Cardigan	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
A Female	June 23, River Thames	E. Stevens & R. Larkins (waterman); went in a boat and rescued her	Spotted Dog	Mr. Skeel, Norfolk-st.	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
A. Coster	June 24, Regent's Canal	J. Porcas; jumped from his barge into the Canal with his clothes on, and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
Mrs. C. Fleming	June 24, Black Gang Chine	Miss J. Hesketh; rushed into the sea, and, after being twice submerged, dragged her out, and saved her	ditto	ditto	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDALLION.
A Child	June 26, Regent's Canal	W. Duffin; plunged into the Canal and saved him	ditto	Mr. Meryweather Somers' Town	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
T. Reed	June 22, River Thames	F. Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means to try and restore him	Claimant's	Mr. C. Smith, Gracechurch-street	Drowned	Ditto.

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	<b>1848.</b>							
C. Beland	June 26, River Thames			F. Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. M'Guire, Cannon-st.	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
A Female	June 27, ditto			Ditto ditto ditto	ditto	Mr. Croft, Laurence Pountney-lane	Successful	Ditto.
E. Clapham	June 27, ditto			Mr. W. Lucey; plunged into the river with his clothes on and saved him	Home	Mr. Griffith, Rotherhithe	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
W. Phillips	June 29, Regent's Canal			J. Johnson; jumped into the Canal and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
J. Donahoo	June 30, ditto			G. Wardell (lock keeper); got him out with the drags	Claimant's	Mr. Cummings Limehouse	Successful	Ditto.
J. Jones	June 25, ditto			W. Bridges; jumped into the Canal and saved him	Workhouse	House Surgeon	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	July 8, London Docks			W. Harriott; plunged into the Docks and saved her	Dock Station	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
C. L. Brown	January 3, Madras Roads			J. Hyslop & J. Grainger, of H.M.S. "Acorn"; both jumped overboard and rescued him	On board his ship	Ship's Surgeon	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LIONS.
Mr. M'Pherson	July 4, River Thames			T. Ware (waterman); went in his boat, and saved him	Glaziers' Arms	Mr Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
W. & J. Briggs	July 9, Richmond			W. Platt (waterman); jumped into the river and saved both	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
H. Mathews	July 10, Surrey Canal			P. Clifford; plunged into the Canal and saved him	ditto	ditto	Successful	Ditto
R. Willis	July 12, Old Fleet Ditch			J. Cheshire (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr Hutchinson	Successful	Ditto.
J. Frost	July 15, Surrey Canal			S. Saker (Surrey Canal Tavern); afforded usual means for his recovery	ditto	R. F. Gowen, Old Kent-rd.	Successful	Ditto.
C. Craddock	July 16, River Thames			R. Parrott; jumped into the river, dived, and saved him	Home	Dr. Murdock, Rotherhithe	Successful	Ditto.



G. Collyer	July 21, River Thames	W. Hawkins; went in a boat and saved him	Nag's Head	Mr. J. Howell, Wandsworth	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
E. Harris	July 26, Regent's Canal	J. Mullett (Edinbro' Castle); afforded every means to try and restore him	Claimant's	Mr. Horton, Stepney	Drowned	Ditto.
R. Page	July 28, Surrey Canal	T. Acock; plunged into the Canal and saved him	Home	Mr. Flower, Camberwell	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	July 30, River Thames	R. Piner (waterman); went in his boat and saved her	Charing Cross Hospital	House Surgeon	Successful	Ditto.
C. Farmer	August 1, ditto	J. Conor; plunged into the river and saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto, and Letter of approbation
T. Dewan	Aug. 2, New River	J. Higgins, P.C., 64 N; jumped into the river and saved him	Workhouse	Mr. Semple, Islington	Successful	Ditto.
W. Gill	Aug. 4, Old Fleet Ditch	J. Ware (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	Glaziers' Arms	Mr. Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
W. Milliot	July 12, Gravesend Canal	J. Hurley; jumped from a barge into the water and saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
A. Pretty	July 23, Canal Basin, Pimlico	J. Walters; jumped from a barge and saved him	ditto	ditto	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	July 28, River Lea	C. Tranter (Britannia); afforded every means to try and restore her	Claimant's	Mr. Cummings, Limehouse	Drowned	Ditto.
F. Parrett	August 6, River Thames	R. Larkin (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
Mr. H. Davis	August 7, Hastings	F. S. Cooper and T. Elliott; swam out to his relief and saved him	ditto	ditto	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLIONS.
A Female	August 8, Lahinch, Ireland	R. L. Constable, P.C., and T. Alexander, P.C.; both swam to her relief and saved her	ditto	ditto	Successful	Thanks on Paper to each.
P. Devey	August 14, Regent's Canal	W. Squires (Victory); afforded usual means to try and restore him	Claimant's	Mr. Horton, Stepney	Drowned	Pecuniary reward.
J. Noble	Aug. 17, New River	W. King; plunged into the river and saved him	Workhouse	Mr. Semple, Islington	Successful	Ditto.
J. Murray	September 2, River Thames	C. Campbell & A. Churchman (watermen); went in a boat and saved him	Swan, Westminster Bridge	Mr. M'Cann, Parliament-st.	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	Sept. 3, River Lea	C. Tranter (Britannia); afforded every means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Barnett, Limehouse	Ditto	Ditto.

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Names.	Time and Place.						
A Female	1348. September 6, River Thames		W. Windsor & C. Lock (waterman); went in a boat and rescued her	Swan Tap, Westminster Bridge	Mr. M'Cann, Parliament st.	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
A Female	Sept. 8, Regent's Canal		W. Cross, P.C., N 396; plunged into the Canal and took the body out	D. of Cambridge Islington	Mr. Semple, Islington	Drowned	Ditto.
A Female	Sept. 12, River Thames		H. Shelton (waterman); went in his boat and saved her	White Lion	None available until taken to the Workhouse	Successful	Ditto.
J. Copsey	July 18, Surrey Canal		W. Davis (Britannia); afforded every means to try and restore life	Claimant's	Mr. Anderson, Old Kent-rd.	Drowned	Ditto.
A Female	ditto		ditto ditto	ditto	Mr Marlborough, Old Kent-rd.	Ditto	Ditto.
Five Officers of 5th Regt. and one of the Commissariat Department	June 25, Old Mahebourg, Mauritius		Capt. Milman, 5th Regt.; first swam to shore, and afterwards, assisted by Mons. A. Chiron & Son, went in a "Pirogue," and saved them	To the house of M. Chiron	Not stated	Successful	HON. GOLD and SILVER MEDALLIONS.
A Female	Aug. 15, New River		W. Bibby; plunged into the river with his clothes on and saved her	Home	Nonerequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
G. Brown	Sept. 10, River Thames		J. Cheshire (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
J. Marshall	Sept. 12, River Thames		H. Tull; swam out to him and rescued him	United Service Tavern	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto, and Thanks to Landlord, he declining the usual reward.
T. Wright	Sept. 15, Surrey Canal		C. Hayward, King's Arms, afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Else, Camberwell	Successful	Di to.
W. Knight	Sept. 16, River Thames		G. Larkin; jumped into the river and saved him	Duke's Head	Mr. Jeffre, Lambeth	Successful	Ditto.
E. Kerr	Sept. 20, ditto		S. Bloomfield (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	Workhouse	House Surgeon	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	Sept. 21, ditto		T. Davis (lighterman); rescued her in his boat	Angel	Mr. Rose, Stamford-st.	Successful	Ditto.

Mr. Noble & Child	Sept. 21, ditto	S. Sims; jumped from the paddle-box of his vessel and saved both	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
A Female	Sept. 23, Regent's Canal	R. Kensey (Freemasons' Arms); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Cummings Limehouse	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
G. Partum	Sept. 23, River Thames	D. Tracey; jumped into the river and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
J. Arnott	Sept. 27, ditto	J. Cripps (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	Indian Queen	Dr. Mackinlay Brentford	Successful	Ditto.
J. Shea	October 2, ditto	R. Larkin (waterman); went in his boat and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	October 9, ditto	J. Cheshire (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
W. Smith	Sept. 20, Aberdeen Harbor	Lieut. Hon W. B. De Blaquiére, R.N.; leaped into the water and saved him	Home	Nonrequired	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
A Seaman	Feb. 14, at sea	J. Robinson, Captain's Coxswain, of H.M.S. Skylark, jumped overboard and saved him	On board his ship	Ship's Surgeon	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
A Seaman	August 2	J. Field, A. B. of H.M.S. "President"; jumped overboard and saved him	Ditto	Ditto	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
H. Stephenson	Sept. 29, Brixham	F. Vincent; of the Coast Guard, jumped off the quay into the water and rescued him	House near	Mr P. Anthony Brixham	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
W. Williams	Oct. 7, River Usk, near Brecon	W. Christopher, assisted by D. Powell; jumped into the river and saved him	Home	Society's methods of treatment used.	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLIONS to each
Master and 3 Men of the Sloop Banff	Oct. 26, Solway Frith	Capt. Graves, "R. Victoria Steamer"; put back, and sailed ten miles out of his course and rescued them	On board claimant's vessel	ditto	Successful	Thanks on Paper.
A Female	Oct. 30, Regent's Canal	G. Wardle; Lock keeper, rescued her by the drags, and afforded usual means for her recovery	Claimant's house	Mr. Cummings Limehouse	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
J. Helme	September 12, Lancaster	Mr. Thos. Austin; plunged into the water and with difficulty saved him	Not stated	Not stated	Successful	HON. SILVER MEDAL-LION.
T. Brown	Nov. 14, Clonlara, County Limerick	J. Fitzpatrick; Sub - Constable, plunged into the lock and saved him	ditto	Dr. Kidd, M.D. Limerick	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.



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Two Seamen of H.M.S. "Vernon"	<b>1848.</b> June 7 & 17, Bombay Harbor			D. Donoghue, J. Hoy, T. Cullum, and G. Vickery, seamen of H.M.S. "Vernon"; all the claimants at different times jumped overboard and saved both shipmates	On board their ship	Ship's Surgeon	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLIONS to each.
A Seaman	Oct. 6, St. Helena			J. Nathan; boatman, jumped overboard and rescued him	ditto	Ditto	Successful	HON. BRONZE MEDALLION.
Mr. Glover	Oct. 31, River Thames			Felix Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's house	Mr. C. J. Croft, Laurence Pountney-lane	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
W. Milbourne	Oct. 31, River Thames			Felix Everest (Old Swan); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's house	Mr. J. C. Croft, Laurence Pountney-lane	Successful	Pecuniary reward.
Mr. Hooper A Female	Nov. 22, ditto Nov. 6, ditto			ditto ditto T. West (King's Arms); afforded usual means for her recovery	ditto ditto	ditto Mr. Bain, Blackwall	Successful Successful	Ditto. Ditto.
C. Bowers	Nov. 6, Regent's Canal			R. Russell (lock keeper); afforded usual means to try and restore her	ditto	Mr. Haycock, Bethnal-green	Drowned	Ditto.
A Female	Nov. 17, London Docks			P. Crawley; jumped into the water and saved her	Dock Police Station	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.
J. Hatton	Dec. 12, River Thames			J. Cheshire (Glaziers' Arms); afforded usual means for his recovery	Claimant's	Mr. Hutchinson Farringdon-st	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	Nov. 30, Rickmansworth			C. Wheedon; jumped into the water, though unable to swim, and saved her	To a cottage	Mr. Genlike, Rickmansworth	Successful	Ditto.
A Female	Dec. 12, St. Katharine's Docks			L. Williams; Lock keeper, rescued her with the drags	Thames Police	Nonerequired	Successful	Ditto.

HYDE PARK ICE REPORT.

ACCIDENTS.		By whom saved.	Where removed.	Medical Man who attended.	Result.	Remarks.
Names.	Time.					
C. Cambell	<b>1848.</b> January 28th ditto ditto ditto	By T. Southam, Iceman	Receiving-house ditto ditto ditto	Nonerequired ditto ditto ditto	Successful	Broke through the ice.
C. T. Coates, Esq.		By J. Deze ditto			Successful	Ditto.
T. Nichols		By Society's Icemen			Successful	Ditto.
A. Cooke		By H. Maskell, Iceman			Successful	Ditto.

THE REGENT'S PARK ICE PEPORT.

Mr. Bennett	January 27th ditto ditto ditto	By C. Davis, Iceman	Soc.y's Marquee ditto ditto ditto	Nonerequired ditto ditto ditto	Successful	Broke through the ice.
Mr. Collins		Ditto ditto			Successful	Ditto.
J. Wilson		Ditto ditto			Successful	Ditto.
Mr. Austin	January 28th ditto ditto	By J. Griffith ditto	ditto ditto ditto	ditto ditto ditto	Successful	Ditto.
J. Keith		J. Chitty, Deputy Superintendent			Successful	Ditto.
G. Larkin		C. Davis Iceman			Successful	Ditto.
J. Stary	January 29th ditto ditto	P. Johnson ditto	ditto ditto ditto	ditto ditto ditto	Successful	Ditto.
D. Benjamin		C. Davis ditto			Successful	Ditto.
G. Hudson		C. Davis ditto			Successful	Ditto.
Mr. Nichols	ditto	J. Chitty, Deputy Superintendent	ditto	ditto	Successful	Ditto.

ST. JAMES'S PARK ICE REPORT.

W. Till	January 27th ditto ditto ditto ditto	With assistance of Bystanders	Marquee ditto ditto ditto ditto	Nonerequired ditto ditto ditto ditto	Successful	Broke through the ice.
Mr. North		Ditto ditto			Successful	Ditto.
J. Twitchel		J. Stowe, Iceman			Successful	Ditto.
Mr. Raffles		Ditto of Bystanders			Successful	Ditto.
R. Davison		Ditto			Successful	Ditto.

## METHODS OF TREATMENT

RECOMMENDED BY THE SOCIETY.

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### CAUTIONS.

*Send quickly for Medical Assistance.*

1. Lose no time.—2. Avoid all rough usage.—3. Never hold the body up by the feet.—4. Nor roll the body on casks.—5. Nor rub the body with salt or spirits.—6. Nor inject tobacco-smoke or infusion of tobacco.

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*To restore the apparently Drowned.*

I. Convey the body carefully, with the head and shoulders supported in a raised position, to the nearest house.

II. Strip the body, and rub it dry; then wrap it in hot blankets, and place it in a warm bed in a warm chamber free from smoke.

III. Wipe and cleanse the mouth and nostrils.

IV. In order to restore the natural warmth of the body—

— Move a heated covered warming-pan over the back and spine.

— Put bladders or bottles of hot water or heated bricks to the pit of the stomach, the armpits, between the thighs, and to the soles of the feet.

— Foment the body with hot flannels.

— Rub the body briskly with the hand; do not, however, suspend the use of the other means at the same time; but, if possible,

— Immerse the body in a warm bath, at blood heat, or 100° of the thermometer, as this is preferable to the other means for restoring warmth.

V. Volatile salts or hartshorn to be passed occasionally to and fro under the nostrils.

VI. No more persons to be admitted into the room than are absolutely necessary.



*To restore the apparently Dead from intense Cold.*

Rub the body with snow, ice, or cold water.—Restore warmth by slow degrees; and after some time, if necessary, employ the means recommended for the apparently Drowned. In these accidents it is highly dangerous to apply heat too early.

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*To restore the apparently Dead from Hanging.*

In addition to the means recommended for the apparently Drowned, bleeding should early be employed by a Medical Assistant.

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*To restore the apparently Dead from noxious Vapours, &c.*

1. Remove the body into a cool fresh air.—2. Dash cold water on the neck, face, and breast, frequently.—3. If the body be cold, apply warmth, as recommended for the apparently Drowned.

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*To restore the apparently Dead from Intoxication.*

Lay the body on a bed, with the head raised; remove the neckcloth, and loosen the clothes. Obtain instantly Medical Assistance, as the treatment must be regulated by the state of the patient, and the stomach-pump will almost invariably be required to be used: but in the mean time apply cloths soaked in cold water to the head, and bottles of hot water, or hot bricks, to the calves of the legs and to the feet.

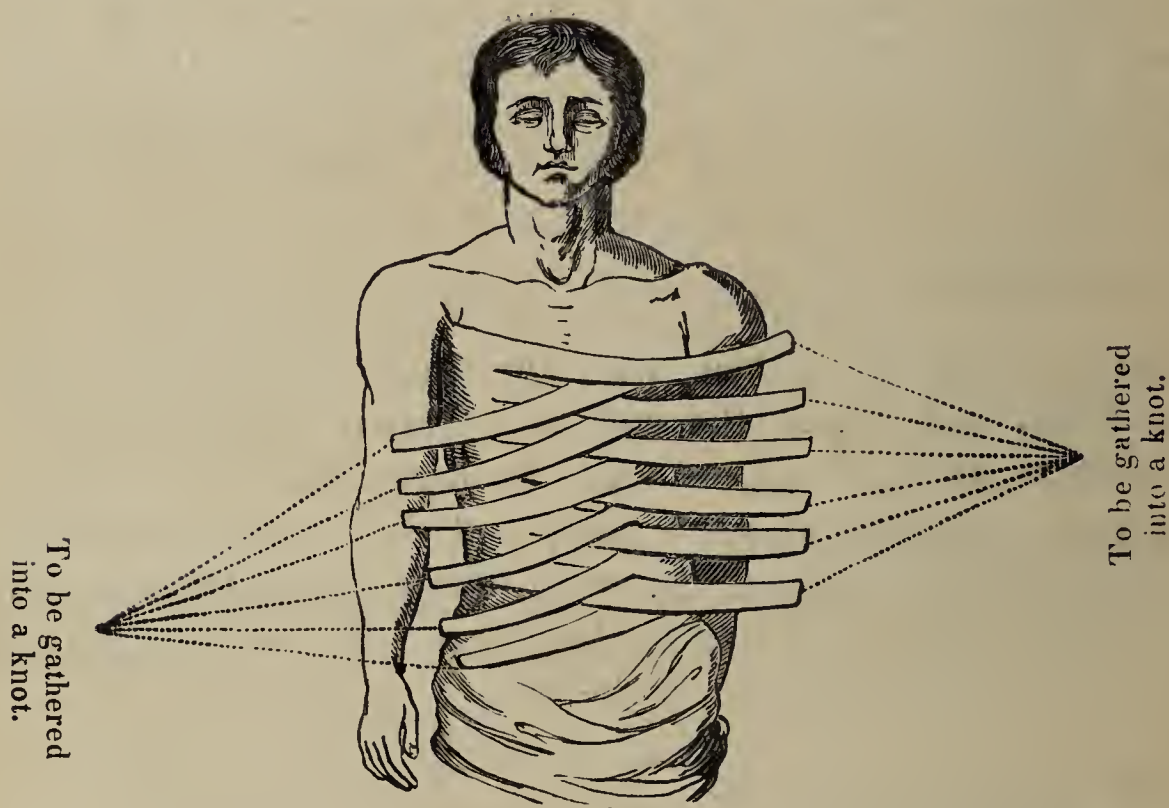
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*To restore the apparently Dead from Apoplexy.*

The patient should be placed in a cool air, with the head well raised, and the clothes loosened, particularly about the neck and breast. Bleeding must be early employed by a Medical Assistant. Cloths soaked in cold water, spirits, or vinegar and water, should be kept applied to the head, which should be instantly shaved. All stimulants should be avoided. In cases of coup-de-soleil, or strokes of the sun, the same means to be used as in Apoplexy.

*Artificial Respiration by Bandage.*

It was shewn in the Report of 1832, that the application of the *bellows*, when in the hands of inexperienced persons, was not unattended with danger to the slumbering life of the apparently drowned; that violence and indiscriminate force might convert apparent into real death. In order to guard as much as possible against the apprehended consequences of the unskilful though zealous use of this instrument, a new but easy mode of imitating natural breathing was then for the first time introduced\*. It has been thought necessary to repeat those instructions, and to furnish an expeditious plan of preparing the necessary apparatus at the instant required; which the following sketch is intended to illustrate.



A piece of flannel, an old blanket, sheet, or other cloth (the most readily obtained at the moment), is to be cut, of the following size and in the following manner:—In length 6 feet, in breadth 18 inches; 6 strips are then to be cut or torn in the direction of the length on each side; each strip is to be 3 inches broad and 2 feet long. The untorn portion (2 feet in length and 18 inches

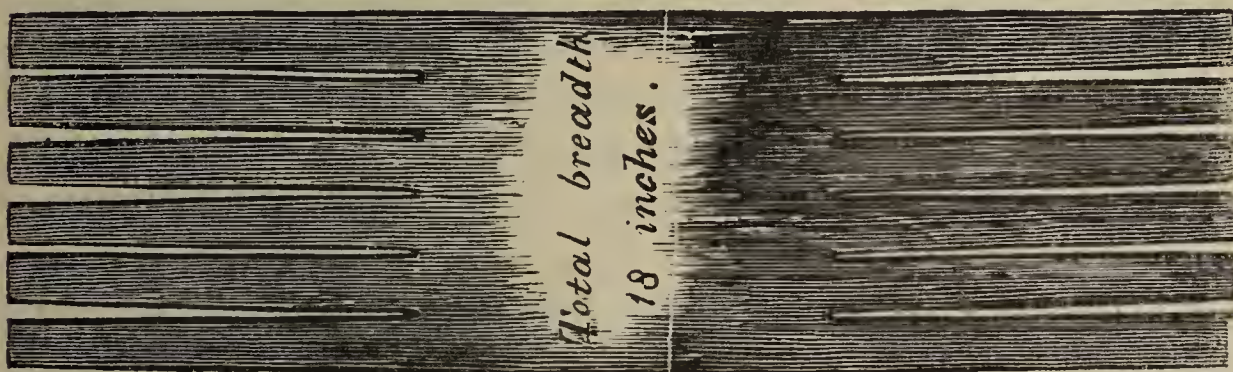
\* The Society is indebted to Mr. John Dalrymple, surgeon, for this plan.



broad) is to be placed under the back of the patient, from the armpits to the upper part of the hip bones. The strips are then to be brought over the chest and belly, interlacing with each other of the opposite sides (as the fingers are interlaced in clasping the hands). The strips thus arranged are to be gathered into a bundle on each side ; and if then they be drawn in opposite directions by two assistants, the edges of the bandage will be made to approach, and firm and equal pressure produced on the chest and belly of the patient.

The assistants should then compress and relax the bandage at the rate of 25 per minute. By applying the flame of a candle or the fine down of a feather to the mouth and nostrils, it will be readily seen that, on each firm pressure of the body, air will be expelled from the lungs : upon the relaxation of this pressure the chest will regain its original size, and air rush in to supply the deficiency.

Total length 6 Feet.



In the absence of such a bandage, two or three silk handkerchiefs may be made to supply its place, and, if applied in the same manner, will answer a similar though not so extended a purpose.

### *Management after Recovery\*.*

The greatest possible care is required to *maintain the restored actions* ; so as on the one hand to avoid excitement, or on the

\* In this stage of the resuscitative process the attention of the Medical Assistants is particularly requested to the following extract from the Life of Sir Humphrey Davy, by Dr. Paris :—

“ In the next place, Davy’s experiment is important, inasmuch as it proves



other to prevent their cessation. If suicide has been attempted, and thus happily prevented, we cannot but impress the necessity of the most guarded conduct. This part will most likely devolve entirely on the medical practitioner.

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### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

On the restoration of life, a tea-spoonful of warm water should be given; and then, if the power of swallowing be returned, small quantities of warm wine, or weak brandy and water, warm: the patient should be kept in bed, and a disposition to sleep encouraged, except in cases of apoplexy, intoxication, and coup-de-soleil. Great care is requisite to maintain the restored vital actions, and at the same time to prevent undue excitement.

The treatment recommended by the Society is to be persevered in for three or four hours. It is an erroneous opinion, that persons are irrecoverable because life does not soon make its appearance; and it is absurd to suppose that a body must not be meddled with or removed without the permission of a Coroner.

that in cases of asphyxia, or suspended animation, there exists a period of danger after the respiration has been restored and the circulation re-established, at which death may take place when we are the least prepared to expect it.

“Bichat has shewn that, when dark-coloured blood is injected into the vessels of the brain by means of a syringe connected with the carotid artery, the functions of the brain become immediately disturbed, and in a short time entirely cease: the effect is precisely similar, whether the dark-coloured blood be transmitted to the brain by the syringe of the experimentalist, or by the heart itself. Thus, in cases of asphyxia, the dark-coloured blood which has been propelled through the vessels during the suspension or imperfect performance of respiration acts like a narcotic poison upon the brain; and no sooner, therefore, does it extend its malign influence to that organ, than the deleterious effects are produced, and the animal, after apparent recovery, falls into a state of stupor, the pupils of the eyes become dilated, the respiration laborious, the muscles of the body convulsed, and it speedily dies, *poisoned by its own blood.*”

“LATEAT SCINTILLVLA FORSAN.”

TRADUCTION D'UN PROSPECTUS  
DE LA  
**SOCIÉTÉ DE SECOURS POUR LES ASPHYXIÉS**  
(ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY).

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PUBLIÉ À LONDRES, 1848.

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CETTE Société a pour but :

1<sup>o</sup> De publier les moyens propres à rappeler à la vie les asphyxiés.

2<sup>o</sup> De fournir à ses frais les instruments et les médicaments qu'elle aura jugé convenables.

3<sup>o</sup> De récompenser tous ceux qui auront secouru, ou aidé à secourir des personnes en danger.

Depuis 1774, époque de sa fondation, cette institution a sauvé la vie à plus de 6000 personnes, qui, sans les secours excités par les récompenses, et sans les soins dirigés par les conseils de cette Société, auraient été enterrées comme mortes, quoique n'étant que momentanément asphyxiées; et plus de 25,000 individus ont été récompensés pour les secours qu'ils leur ont portés.

Précautions à observer en attendant un médecin.

Eviter dans tous les cas.

1<sup>o</sup> Tout mouvement brusque.

2<sup>o</sup> De suspendre le corps par les pieds.

3<sup>o</sup> De le frotter avec du sel ou des liqueurs fortes.

4<sup>o</sup> Les injections du fumée ou d'infusion de tabac.

### TRAITEMENT A SUIVRE.

#### *Pour les Noyés.*

1<sup>o</sup> En transportant le corps ayez soin de soutenir la tête et les épaules un peu élevées.

2<sup>o</sup> Déshabillez le, et essuiez le bien. Après l'avoir enveloppé de couvertures chaudes, placez le dans un lit chaud.

3<sup>o</sup> Nettoyez la bouche et les narines.

4<sup>o</sup> Pour échauffer doucement le corps, passez sur le dos une bassinoire enveloppée de flannelle ou de linge. Appliquez des bouteilles d'eau chaude ou des briques chaudes, également enveloppées, sur le ventre, aux essailles, entre les cuisses et à la plante des pieds.

Frottez le corps avec des flannelles chaudes. Mais, s'il est possible, mettez-le dans un bain aussi chaud que la main peut le supporter sans douleur; ou 100<sup>o</sup> du thermomètre, ceci est la mode la plus preferable pour restaurer la chaleur.

5<sup>o</sup> L'électricité doit être appliquée par un médecin.

6<sup>o</sup> Une injection d'une demi-pinte d'eau de-vie et d'eau chaude. Appliquez aux narines du sel volatil ou de corne de cerf.

#### *Pour ceux Frappés par le Froid.*

Frottez le corps avec de la neige, de la glace, ou de l'eau froide, Rendez peu à peu la chaleur naturelle, et, après quelque temps, s'il est nécessaire, appliquez les mêmes traitements que pour les noyés.

#### *Pour les Personnes pendues ou Etranglées.*

Les mêmes traitements que pour les noyés, et, de plus une saignée aussitôt que le médecin le jugera convenable.

#### *Dans les Accidents causés par des Vapeurs méphitiques, ou par la Foudre.*

1<sup>o</sup> Placez les corps dans un lieu frais.

2<sup>o</sup> Jetez de l'eau froide sur la figure, le cou et la poitrine.

3<sup>o</sup> Si le corps est déjà froid, appliquez la chaleur comme pour les noyés. Employez les mêmes procédés, pour rétablir la respiration.

4<sup>o</sup> L'électricité (surtout dans les accidents occasionnés par la foudre) doit être appliquée.



*En cas d'Ivresse.*

Placez le corps sur un lit avec la tête élevée; ôtez la cravatte et ce qui peut gêner la respiration. Dans ces accidents un médecin est indispensable, car le traitement dépend de l'état du malade; mais, en attendant, on doit toujours appliquer à la tête des linges trempés dans l'eau froide, et aux mollets et aux pieds des bouteilles d'eau chaude ou des briques.

*En cas d'Apoplexie.*

Mettez le corps dans un lieu frais. Ôtez la cravatte, etc. Saignez aussitôt que possible. Rasez immédiatement la tête, et appliquez des linges trempés dans l'eau froide, des esprits, ou du vinaigre. Evitez tout stimulant.

Les mêmes traitements en cas de coup de soleil.

## REMARQUES GÉNÉRALES.

Quand la respiration et les autres symptômes de vie paroissent, il faut donner une cuillerée d'eau chaude; et si le malade a la faculté d'avaler, de temps en temps, de petites quantités de vin chaud ou d'eau de vie chaude, et très-moderée d'eau. Il faut le laisser au lit et exciter toute disposition à dormir, excepté dans le cas d'apoplexie, d'ivresse, ou de coup de soleil.

Il faut continuer les traitements indiqués pour les différents cas, pendant *trois ou quatre heures*; et il est absurde de supposer que la vie est perdue parce que les symptômes ne paroissent pas plus tôt.

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"LATEAT SCINTILLULA FORSAN."

## KÖNIGLICHE RETTUNGS-GESELLSCHAFT,

GESTIFTET IM JAHRE 1774.

Zum Zwecke der Sammlung und Bekanntmachung der erprobtesten und wirksamsten Mittel zur Rettung scheinbar ertrunkener, oder durch sonstigen Anlass scheinodter Personen;— ferner zum Vorschlag und zur Errichtung der nöthigen Anstalten zur Rettung oder Wiederbelebung-und zur Belohnung aller, in vorkommenden Fällen, hülfreichen Personen.

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*DIE Königliche Rettungs-Gesellschaft* hat, seit ihrem Entstehen im Jahre 1774, die Rettung von mehr als 6000 Personen, aus augenscheinlicher Todesgefahr bewirkt. Eine bedeutende Anzahl derselben hatte Selbstmord beabsichtigt. Die Gesellschaft versorgte dieselben nach ihrer Rettung mit Bibeln und anderen religiösen Werken. Mehr als 25,000 Hülfeleistende haben Belohnungen empfangen.

Der Zweck dieser Gesellschaft ist die Rettung solcher Personen, welche durch Ertrinken, Erhängen, Blitz, Kälte, Hitze, schädliche Dünste, Schlagfluss oder Trunkenheit in einen Todtenähnlichen Zustand versetzt worden. Vor dem Bestehen der Gesellschaft war es das Schicksal mancher Personen aus jedem Stande, während sie, obgleich ihre Lebenszeichen gehemmt waren, doch noch lebten, als todt begraben zu werden; gar manche Familienväter, Mütter und Kinder wurden durch diese vortreffliche Anstalt aber dem schrecklichen Loose, lebendig begraben zu werden, entrissen.

Die Gesellschaft empfiehlt folgende

## BEHANDLUNGS-ARTEN:

I.—*Vorsichtsmassregeln.*

Sende schleunigst nach ärztlicher Hülfe; inzwischen ist beachtenswerth:

1. Keine Zeit zu verlieren.
2. Jede rauhe Behandlung zu vermeiden.

3. Niemals den Körper, mit den Füßen aufwärts, zu halten.
4. Ihn nicht auf Fässern zu rollen.
5. Ihn nicht mit Salz oder Weingeist zu reiben.
6. Ihn keinen Tabacksrauch einzublasen ; noch weniger dergleichen Einspritzungen zu machen.

## WIEDERHERSTELLUNGS-MITTEL.

### *Bey scheinbar Ertrunkenen.*

I. Man trage den Körper, *sorgfältig* den Kopf und die Schultern in erhöhter Lage gehalten, zu dem nächsten Hause.

II. Man entblöße den Körper und trockne ihn ab ; sodann wickle man ihn in heisse wollene Decken, und lege ihn, in einem warmen Zimmer, in dem jedoch kein Rauch sein darf, in ein erwärmtes Bett.

III. Man wische und reinige den Mund und die Nasenlöcher.

IV. Um die natürliche Wärme des Körpers wiederherzustellen, muss man.

1. Mit einem geheizten und umwickelten Bettwärmer über den Rücken und Rückgrat hin und her fahren.
2. Blasen oder Flaschen mit heissem Wasser, oder heisse Ziegelsteine, auf die Magengrube, in die Armhöhlen, zwischen die Lenden und an die Fusssohlen legen.
3. Den Körper mit warmem Flannel bähnen.
4. Den Körper mit der Hand hurtig reiben : dieses Mittel muss, ohne Hintansetzung der übrigen, angewandt werden ; wo möglich aber.
5. Ihn in ein warmes Bad bringen, dessen Hitze die Hand ohne Schmerzen verträgt d. h. die Temperatur des Blutes, oder 100° Wärme hat : dieses Mittel zur Wiederherstellung der Wärme ist allen andern vorzuziehen.

V. Man führe, ab und zu, flüchtiges-oder Hirschhorn-Salz unter die Nase.

VI. Man lasse nicht mehr Personen in das Zimmer, als durchaus nöthig.

VII. Um den Athem wiederherzustellen, leite man die Pfeife eines gewöhnlichen Blasebals (wo der Apparat der Gesellschaft



nicht zu haben ist) in eins der Nasenlöcher, halte das andere, so wie auch den Mund, sorgfältig zu. Man ziehe zugleich den Obertheil der Luftröhre etwas herunter, und schiebe ihn sanft zurück, um einen freieren Einzug der Luft zu gestatten: man blase mässig, *um die Lungen anschwellen zu lassen*, bis die Brust sich ein wenig hebt: dann befreie man den Mund und die Nase, und gebe der Brust mit der Hand einen mässigen Druck. Man wiederhole dieses Verfahren bis das Leben zurückkehrt.

### *Bei scheinbar Erfrorenen.*

Man reibe den Körper mit *Schnee, Eis, oder kaltem Wasser*: Stelle langsam und allmählig die Wärme wieder her; und gebrauche nach einiger Zeit, wenn es nöthig ist, die Mittel, welche für scheinbar Ertrunkene empfohlen sind. Bei diesen Unglücksfällen ist es *höchst gefährlich, Hitze* zu schleunig anzuwenden.

### *Bei scheinbar Erdrosselten.*

*Ausser den Mitteln, welche für Ertrunkene empfohlen sind, ist erforderlich, dass der Arzt bei Zeiten zur Ader lasse.*

## BEI ERSTICKTEN.

1. Man versetze den Körper in kühle freie Luft.
2. Man stürze kaltes Wasser zu wiederholten malen auf Hals, Gesicht und Brust.
3. Ist der Körper *kalt*, so bediene man sich erwärmender Mittel, wie für Ertrunkene empfohlen.

### *Bei Scheintodten durch Berauschung.*

Man lege den Körper auf ein Bett, erhöhe den Kopf, nehme das Halstuch ab, und löse die Kleider. Man sende augenblicklich zum *Arzte*, denn die Behandlung desselben muss sich nach dem Zustande des Kranken richten: inzwischen lege man, in kaltes Wasser getauchte Tücher, an den Kopf, und, mit heissem Wasser gefüllte Flaschen, oder heisse Ziegelsteine, an die Waden und Füsse.

*Bei Scheintodten durch Schlagfluss.*

Man muss den Kranken in kühle Luft bringen, den Kopf wohl aufrichten, und die Kleider lösen, vorzüglich am Halse und auf der Brust—Der Arzt lasse bey Zeiten zur Ader: wie viel Blut zu nehmen sei, muss der Puls bestimmen. Man halte Tücher an den Kopf, welche mit kaltem Wasser, oder mit Wasser vermischem Brantwein oder Essig, getränkt sind; auch muss das Haar sogleich abgeschoren werden—Alle Reizmittel vermeide man. *Beim Sonnenstich gebrauche man die nämlichen Mittel wie beim Schlagflusse.*

ALLGEMEINE BEMERKUNGEN.

Belebt sich der Scheintodte, so gebe man ihm einen Teelöffelvoll warmes Wasser; und ist sodann die Fähigkeit zum Schlucken zurückgekehrt, so mag man ihm ein wenig gewärmten Wein, oder mit etwas Brantwein vermisches, warmes Wasser geben; man halte den Kranken zu Bette, und begünstige dessen Neigung zu schlafen, ausgenommen bei Schlagfluss, Betrunkenheit und *Sonnenstich*.—Grosse Sorgfalt ist nöthig, um die zurückgekehrten Lebenskräfte zu erhalten, undes sind dabey alle *ungehörigen Reizmittel* zu vermeiden.

Die von der Gesellschaft empfohlene Behandlung muss, während *drei oder vier Stunden*, unausgesetzt beobachtet werden. Es ist eine irrige Meynung, dass keine Rettung möglich sei, wenn das Leben nicht alsbald zurückkehrt.

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FOR RECEIVING PERSONS APPARENTLY DROWNED OR DEAD;

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## OF THE

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I. THAT this Society do consist of a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, Directors, Governors, Chaplains, Medical Assistants, and Secretary.

II. That a Subscription of *One Guinea* annually constitutes a GOVERNOR ;

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Governors have the privilege of attending all General Courts ; and Directors have the additional privilege of attending all Committees.

III. That two General Courts be held annually,—on the Second Tuesday in January, and the Second Tuesday in July ; *Seven* Governors to be a Quorum. That an Extraordinary General Court may be called either by the Treasurer, or by a requisition in writing of *Thirteen* Directors or Governors, addressed to the Secretary.

IV. That the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Chaplains, Secretary, Collector, and Messenger, shall be elected at the Annual Court in January.

V. That a COMMITTEE shall be chosen at the same Court, which shall consist of the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Chaplains, Directors, and *Forty-five* Members ; *Three* of whom may act as a Quorum. That the Committee meet on the *Third Wednesday* in each month ; or oftener, if occasion should require.

VI. That the Committee have power to make By-laws, subject to confirmation at the next General Court, and to define the duties of the respective Officers.

VII. That the Committee have power to suspend any Officer or Servant till the next General Court, and to appoint others in the mean time.

VIII. That *three* Auditors be elected at the General Court in January, who shall meet and audit the Accounts previously to each General Court ; and that the Accounts be signed by *two*, at least, of the Auditors, and submitted to each General Court.

IX. Gentlemen desirous of becoming *Medical Assistants* are to be proposed to, and elected by, the Committee.

X. That the Committee recommend those persons whom they deem worthy of becoming Honorary Members, and of having *Honorary Medallions*, to the General Court ; and that such Medallions as shall be ordered by the Committee be presented at the subsequent Anniversary Festival.

XI. That the usual *Rewards* (having reference to the number of persons actually engaged in the Preservation of Life) be paid only in cases which occur within *thirty* miles of the Metropolis (except at those places where Branches, in connexion with this Society, have been established) ; with liberty to the Committee to give rewards to any particular cases that may occur beyond those limits.

XII. That One Pound be given to any *Publican* or other Person who shall admit the body of any Individual apparently Drowned or Dead, with a view to its recovery, into his house without delay, send instantly for medical assistance, and furnish the necessary accommodations.

XIII. That three members of the Committee be elected at the General Court in January, to be joined with the *Treasurer*, as Trustees for Stock and Funded Property.



XIV. That the *Anniversary Sermon* be preached, and the *Festival* held, as soon as conveniently may be after the General Court in January.

XV. That proceedings on business of importance, transacted at the different Meetings, together with Cases, Subscriptions, or whatever may be for the information of the Public or the advantage of the Society, be from time to time published, at the discretion of the Committee.

XVI. That, if a *Debate* arise at a General Court, such Question shall be determined by the holding up of hands, unless a Ballot be demanded by nine Members : *in* case of an equality of Votes, the Chairman shall have a casting Vote.

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But whilst, for these reasons, an interval of a few months must elapse before the Report of their proceedings during the past year, together with a statement of accounts, can be formally submitted by the Brighton Branch Committee to the general body of Subscribers, they feel it right to state, that all the usual means of help entrusted to their hands have been maintained in complete efficiency during the past year; that great benefits have resulted from the observance of them; and that honorary and other rewards have been adjudged to various persons who have been instrumental in the preservation of life. Some of these, it is hoped, will be delivered to the respective parties at the public meeting to be held in the ensuing Autumn.

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